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Slow it down

Restraining the Route 125 racetrack

By Neil Fater

While she seems animated, Mary Arlene Baldwin, of Wildwood Road, says she's tired. Tired of seeing accidents like the one last Friday, near her house at the intersection of Route 125 and Wildwood Road.

Tired of waiting for a stop light that she believes could prevent such accidents.

"I've been to numerous accidents there, holding people's hands, covering them with blankets," she says. "I'm tired of hearing 'SCREEEECH! BOOM!' and then someone being dead. It's not right."

Baldwin is not alone. About 150 people attended a meeting about Route 125 Monday, and the vast majority came to tell Massachusetts Highway Commissioner Kevin Sullivan that the road needs to be made safer. Several asked for traffic lights and turning lanes to be added, and others

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Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Enough — Mary Arlene and Tom Baldwin, with daughter Kathleen, are tired of the deaths and injuries from accidents at Wildwood Road and Route 125.



A Santa special

Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

And a side order of cheer — Elise Krekorian, 3, of Andover talks things over with Santa at the Andover Center Association's "Breakfast with Santa" on Saturday morning at the Town House. More photos of the event on page 51.

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E. coli rates jump

Sewage suspected

By Neil Fater

The brook that runs through downtown Andover is carrying high levels of the potentially dangerous *E. coli* bacteria — an indicator of fecal contamination that can lead to problems such as parasites or hepatitis in humans.

While federal guidelines for water list 126 *E. coli* bacteria per 100 milliliters of water as the safe standard, recent tests have revealed bacteria counts as high as 25,000 in certain areas of Roger's Brook, says Everett Penney, town health director.

"It indicates probably the presence of raw sewage," he says. "There's no question we have a serious contamination level. It's just a matter of finding out where it comes from."

Penney does note that a 100 to 200 level is recommended for water used for drinking and bathing, and neither of these happens in Roger's

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Cabletron to close in Andover

By Rebecca Lipchitz

The Andover branch of a \$2.2-billion computer networking equipment company is preparing to close its doors as part of what some call a realignment plan and others call a response to sagging profits.

Cabletron Systems Inc. has operated at Riverside Drive in Andover for two years, since it took over the switching division of SMC, according to Cabletron spokesman Darren Orzechowski.

Cabletron would not say how

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TOWNTALK



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Having a little pun — Phillips Academy seniors, residents of Pease House, a dorm for senior boys, were looking to share a little holiday spirit with a pun on their residents, and instead have been deluged with calls from scandalized passers by who have been accusing them of being unable to spell.

Pease, stop calling! It's a pun

Yes, they know how to spell peace. After 12 years of schooling, with the last of it at the prestigious Phillips Academy, seniors Omar Jaffer, Ish Harshawat, Aseem Gupta, Eric Sherman and Bristol Crawford have at least learned that much.

But the impending graduates, who figured they'd have a little fun with the name of their dorm, — Pease House — and the holiday spirit, apparently figured wrong.

Their sign, celebrating their dorm and the season, prompted calls from a number of motorists questioning their academic credentials.

A small flurry of calls also came in to the *Townsmen*, from a few folks who saw it either as a sign of the deterioration of modern education, or that a Phillips diploma might not be so prestigious after all.

But it's all about Theodore Pease, who considering his occupation was probably an advocate of peace as well. The dorm, built in 1816 by the Andover Theologi-

cal Seminary, was once home to Pease, a seminary professor of sacred rhetoric.

The house was bought by Phillips Academy in 1908 and has been home to many students and faculty members at the 220-year-old private high school.

So hold the calls and give Pease a chance.

— Taylor Armerding

Major popularity is all in the family

Local politicians might want to get a few words of advice from Selectman Brian Major's dad, Norman L. Major, when he comes to visit his son for Christmas.

That's because the elder Major seems to have gained the type of popularity usually reserved just for Santa.

He's not merely bipartisan, he's tri-partisan — and his advice could come in handy in the coming election year.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Supt. McDonough set to leave voke school

Marsha A. McDonough outgoing superintendent of the Greater Lawrence Regional Vocational Technical High School district is wrapping up her tenure there and heads out Dec. 31, but not before getting the building expansion project squared away.

While she is scheduled to work until Dec. 31, school is out for Christmas vacation as of Dec. 19 says Joseph Gleason, Andover's representative to the GLTHS District School Committee.

McDonough has come under intense criticism recently for seeking 12 weeks of family leave, to begin Jan. 1, and then announcing that she had taken another job, at Endicott College in Beverly.

Under advice from their legal counsel, the committee had granted McDonough the 12 weeks of family leave to which she was entitled, Gleason says. But when the committee later heard McDonough was to start another job at Endicott, they rescinded the leave, he says.

Gleason said McDonough will be on unpaid leave, using up her accrued vacation and sick time after Dec. 31.

McDonough says that while employed by the vocational school, she has devoted all her working hours to it. "It's a full time job. There aren't any more hours in the day," McDonough said of her work at GLTHS.

McDonough was hired as associate dean for education for Endicott College in Beverly to start on an undetermined date, she says.

A new superintendent for GLTHS is expected to be in place by March, Gleason says.

McDonough hopes to finish working on the building expansion that would include more programs designed to attract Andover and North Andover students to help the school become more racially balanced, she says.

Nearly 90 percent of the students enrolled at GLTHS are from Lawrence, she says.

— Rebecca Lipchitz

Health clinics for January set

The Andover Health Department will hold mini-clinics Monday, Jan. 12, from 1-3 p.m. at Andover Commons; Tuesday, Jan. 13, from 2-4 p.m. at Stowe Circle and Monday, Jan. 26, from 1-3 p.m. at

Frye Circle.

Senior Center clinics will be held Wednesdays, Jan. 7, 14, 21 and 28 from 2-3 p.m.

All clinics are free and no appointment is necessary.

The LWV will teach you how to run

The League of Women Voters of Andover/North Andover will hold its annual Running for Office workshop Thursday, Jan. 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the Selectmen's Conference Room, Town Offices, above the Senior Center.

Randi Hanson, Andover Town Clerk, Joyce Bradshaw, North Andover Town Clerk, and Brad Bolger of the Massachusetts Office of Campaign and Political Finance will explain procedures and rules governing campaigns for public office in Massachusetts. The league hopes to include a few current or veteran office holders, who will discuss running a campaign from the candidate's perspective. For more information, call Nancy Raymond at 470-0464.

Popcorn sales put Scouts over \$200,000

Over the past month, Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts from Andover joined others from the region in their annual fundraising campaign. The combined efforts achieved gross sales of \$215,000 by selling approximately 25,000 boxes, up from last year's sales of \$185,000.

Each Scout was encouraged to sell Trail's End Gourmet Popcorn through direct sales in their neighborhoods to finance community service projects, summer camps, and the purchasing of new recreation equipment. The campaign began Oct. 21 and ended Nov. 24.

This annual event allows the Boy Scouts to participate in various Scouting activities throughout the year. In addition to raising funds, the Scouts were able to learn about the rewards of hard work and dedication.

Quote, unquote . . .

'We're all in this for the same reason, but from looking at this issue, you'd never know it.'

Unidentified member of AVIS, speaking about the controversy regarding the spring mowing of the meadow at West Parish Church.

'I'm tired of hearing "SCREEEECH! BOOM!" and then someone being dead. It's not right.'

Mary Arlene Baldwin, speaking of continual accidents at the intersection of Wildwood Road and Route 125.

'If you're a juvenile and you're convicted and sentenced to DYS, no one has any control other than youth services over how long that person is locked up.'

Former assistant DA Sal Tabit, on the prospects for Andover's accused teen arsonists, if they are turned over to Youth Services.

NEWS CALENDAR

Thursday, December 18

School Committee, executive session, School Committee room, School Administration Building, 5:30 p.m.

Andover Housing Authority, 100 Morton St., 7 p.m.

Merrimack Valley Planning Commission, 160 Main St., Haverhill, 8 p.m.

Monday, December 22

Senior Center Design Selection Team, facilitator training workshop, Senior Center, 9 a.m. to noon.

Monday, January 5

Board of Health, second floor conference room, Town Offices, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, January 6

School Committee, School Committee room, School Administration Building, 7:30 p.m.

Conservation Commission, third floor conference room, Town Offices, 7:45 p.m.

Wednesday, January 7

Andover High School Council, Room 264, Andover High School, 7:30 p.m.



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TOWN TALK

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Although he originally ran for a New Hampshire representative seat as a Republican, Major's father not only won the Republican seat, but also topped both the Democratic ballot and the Libertarian ticket as a write-in candidate, says his son.

Since then, other parties have asked the Republican if he will appear on their ticket, says Brian Major.

While most politicians are simply listed as something like "Smith (D-Andover)" political lists have called the New Hampshire politician Major (R, D, L).

— Neil Fater

Community Chorus raises the rafters with *Messiah*

The Andover Community Chorus praised the Lord Friday in their performance of Handel's *Messiah* at Phillips Academy's Cochran Chapel.

The performance was organized by the Phillips Academy music department and sponsored by local businesses. Donations of food and cash for admission to the performance benefited Habitat for Humanity.

Accompanied by 27 members of the Andover Chamber Players under the direction of William Thomas, 50 singers performed portions of the *Messiah* and other compositions rejoicing the Christmas holiday including Mozart's *Ave Verum Corpus* and a Negro spiritual.

Vocal soloists included tenor Allen Combs, bass Philip Lima, alto Courtney Cherewich, countertenor Aaron Russo, sopranos Terry Morgan, Karen Patton Hall, Janice Rawlings and Wendy Heckman.

After a rousing performance of the Hallelujah chorus, Thomas brought up guest conductor Carl Krumpe who led an animated encore of Hallelujah.

A Phillips Academy instructor of history, social science and classics, Krumpe plans to retire this year.

Thomas cited Krumpe as an influence and inspiration in his career.

— Rebecca Lipchitz



Photo by Rebecca Lipchitz

The song will rise — Members of the Andover Community Chorus, under the direction of William Thomas, and accompanied by the Andover Chamber Players, performed the *Messiah* last Friday at Phillips Academy's Cochran Chapel.

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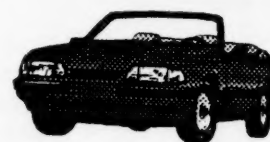


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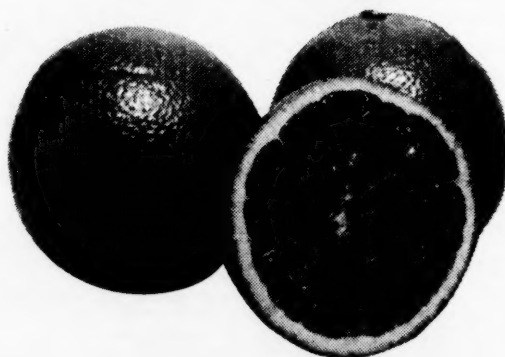
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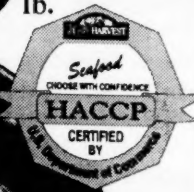


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Cabletron announces closing of Andover plant

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many people work in the Andover branch that holds a mix of research and development and engineering positions. But Orzechowski said most of the employees there would be relocated to another branch.

In 1995, when Cabletron bought the Andover unit from Standard Microsystems Corp., there were close to 100 working at the facility.

The firm did say that of the company's 6,800 employees worldwide, 600 will be laid off, including 240 in New Hampshire. The company is based in Rochester, N.H., and will also close a facility in Nashua, N.H.

The restructuring is an effort focus on the service provider market that engineers and provides equipment for Internet service providers and long-distance phone companies.

The restructuring is expected to save between \$50 million and \$60 million a year.

This week's announcement was not entirely unexpected. The company had announced another weak financial quarter at the end

of November, it's stock value had decreased in April and again at the end of November, and the company had recently hired former Nynex executive Donald B. Reed to turn it around.

About three weeks ago, Reed announced that Cabletron that it would buy a network product group from Digital Equipment for \$430 million in cash stock and product credits, according to reports.

The purchase means Cabletron now provides equipment and engineering for companies like Sprint long distance phone service and America Online Internet service.

The company's other mission is to develop local area network (LAN) systems for businesses that need to link in-house data, phone, and video information.

The LAN, or "enterprise" market has been the focus of the company until now, Orzechowski said.

Investors are reportedly hoping for a more detailed explanation of the fall in stock prices when the company reveals its final fiscal results for the third

quarter on Dec. 22.

Reed took the helm at Cabletron in August replacing founder S. Robert Levine. He has touted other acquisitions like the Digital product that would ensure Cabletron's competitive edge in the \$1.98 billion LAN market,

of which Cabletron holds more than 13 percent, reports say.

The largest reported share of the market is controlled by Cisco Systems, a \$7.06 billion company with more than 35 percent of the market.

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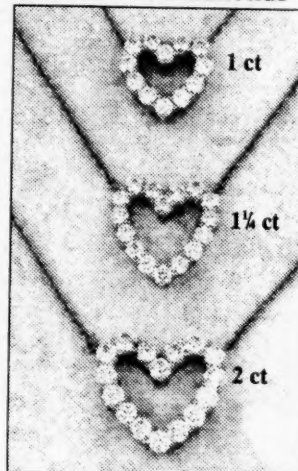
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Jason Veilleux homicide trial delayed again

By Taylor Armerding

The trial of Jason Veilleux, charged in the death of his close friend and former Andover High School classmate and hockey teammate Peter Afarian, has been delayed a second time.

Veilleux, 20, is charged with motor vehicle homicide, driving to endanger, driving under the influence of alcohol and being a minor transporting alcohol in connection with an accident just after midnight, July 28, 1996. He was scheduled for trial in Salem (Mass.) Superior Court Monday, Dec. 15. The trial date has now been moved to Feb. 9, 1998. He is represented by Attorney Carmen W. DiAdamo of Lawrence.

It is the second trial delay. The case was first marked for trial Oct. 21.

Veilleux, Afarian and two other friends were returning from the Great Woods Center for the Performing Arts in Mansfield, following a Steve Miller concert when the green, 1995 Honda Accord Veilleux was driving struck a utility pole near 359 Lowell St. at about 12:45 a.m.

Scott W. Munroe, of 10 Elysian Drive, and Ryan J. Moynihan, of 10 Howell Drive, the two other passengers in the car, were not charged. Moynihan bruised or broke an ankle and all three survivors of the crash suffered minor

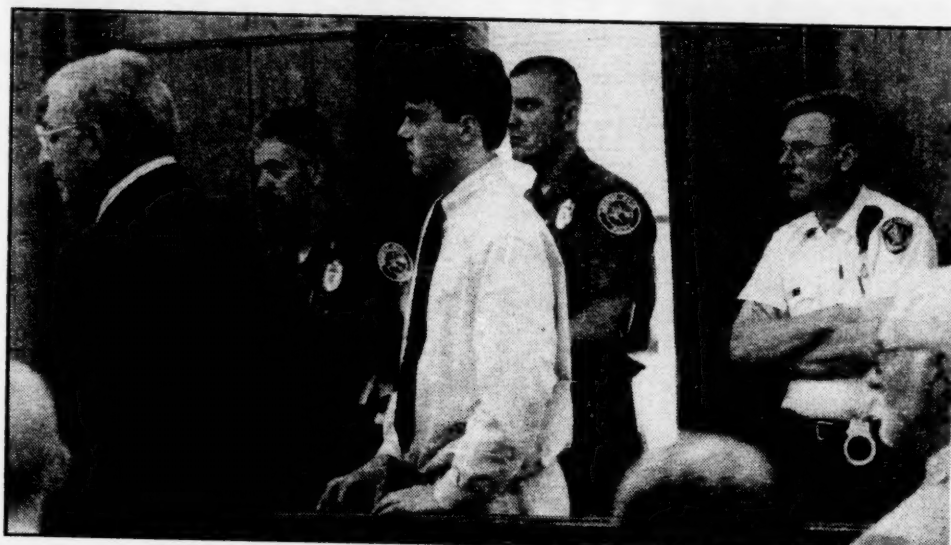


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At the arraignment — Jason Veilleux pleaded not guilty in Lawrence District Court in July, 1996, to motor vehicle and alcohol charges.

cuts and bruises.

According to Andover Patrolman John Pathiakakis, who investigated the accident, Veilleux said he had fallen asleep. The officer's accident report said Veilleux admitted having "a couple of beers," but that he failed a couple of field sobriety tests, and after he was arrested and brought to the police station blew a .16 on an "intoxilyzer" — twice the legal limit of .08. Veilleux was 18 at the time of

the accident, and a student at St. Michael's School in Burlington, Vt.

Pathiakakis also reported that evidence showed the car had to have been traveling significantly faster than the 40-miles-per-hour speed limit. Another officer reported finding one full, unopened can of beer in the car.

Veilleux and Afarian were both 1995 graduates of Andover High, and both played goalie on a championship team.

Their coach, Bill Cullen, remembered Peter Afarian after he was killed as "the life of the locker room" and as a young goalie talented enough at saving tough shots that he started as a sophomore.

Veilleux beat out Afarian for the top goaltender slot during their junior and senior years. Yet, through it all, Cullen said they remained supportive of one another.

"When one was playing, they would root very hard for each other," he said. "They were pretty unique, because everybody wants to play. But sports isn't really about winning or losing, it's about people," he said, "and they showed what unique people Jason and Peter are."

DiAdamo did not return calls, and Assistant DA Robert Brenner, the prosecutor in the case, could not be reached for comment on the reason for the delay.

DA spokesman Steve O'Connell said the office cannot comment on any possible negotiations between the parties.

But it appears the criminal trial may not end the matter. Peter Afarian's parents, Katcher and Maryann Afarian, have retained Boston attorney Camille F. Sarrouf to represent them as custodians of their son's estate.

Sarrouf said this week that there has been no civil complaint filed "so far."

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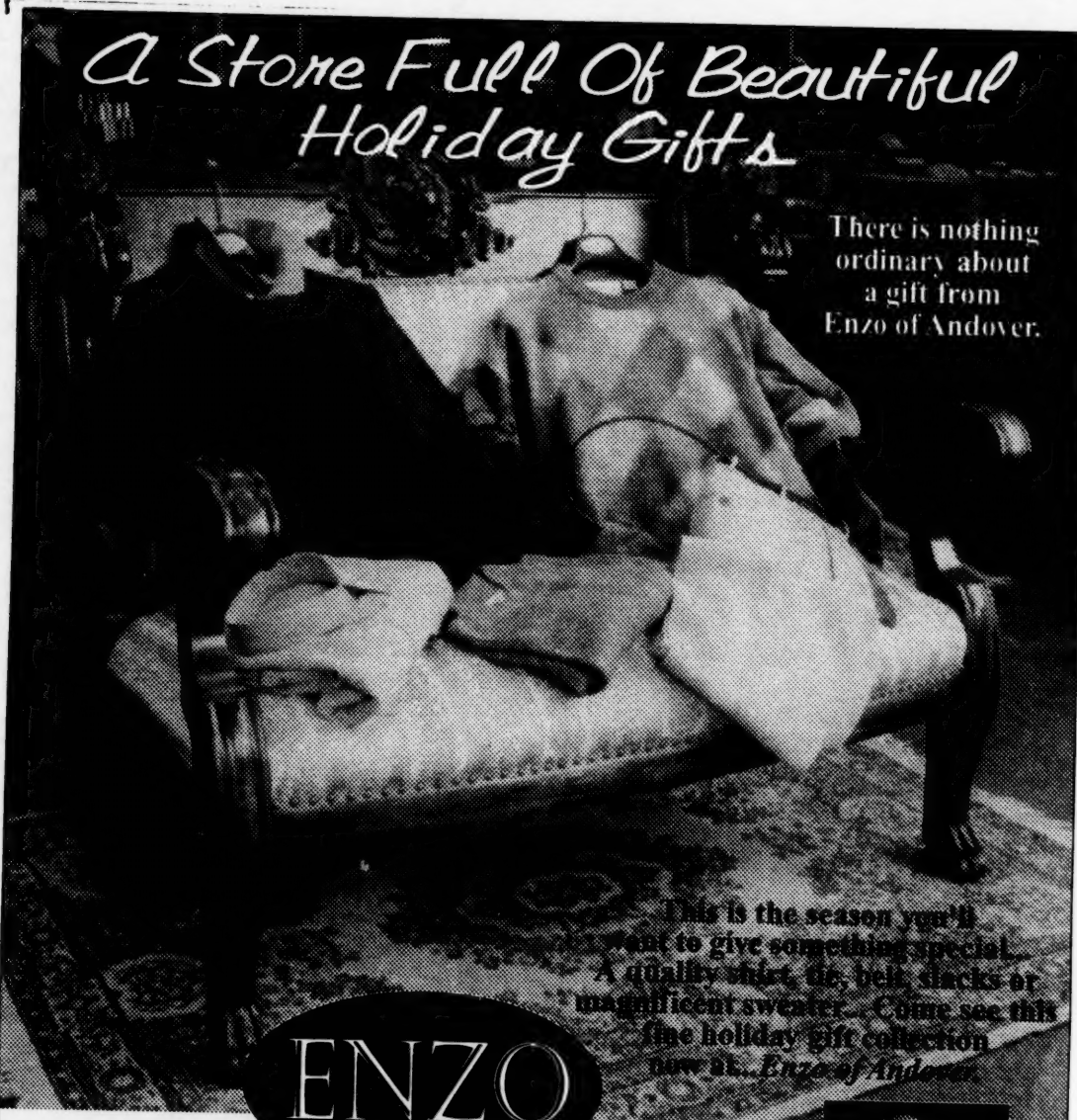
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Go slow on traffic lights

Six weeks ago in this space, following yet another fatal accident on Route 125, we called for greasing the bureaucratic wheels a bit. If they would move even half as fast as the traffic, a stretch of road that has become a death trap could be made a bit safer.

A "minor" three-car accident this past Friday (so defined because nobody was killed or seriously hurt) showed the need is still very much there. And a public meeting on the matter Monday night shows the wheels of government are indeed moving in that direction.

But now that they are moving, elected and highway officials should make sure they move with the same caution that drivers should use on the road itself.

Obviously, something needs to be done. But there is a risk that, in the heat of the moment, too much will be done. At the discussion Monday night, at least some of those present were in favor of five traffic lights — one at every intersection between Route 28 and Route 114.

As Andover state Rep. Barry Finegold put it, if the choice is between convenience and safety, "we're going to choose safety."

That sounds good, and it plays very well. But everybody should think hard about what it means.

If society chose safety over convenience every time, nobody would even be driving a car. While it sounds noble to say that you can't put a price on a human life, the fact is that we do it every day, for the convenience of the automobile.

The key here is to find a balance between the current danger and the potential for gridlock that might well result from an overreaction to a very real problem.

Officials should spend the review period of the next couple of months learning specifically just how "inconvenient" various scenarios might be. Some might go beyond inconvenient, creating a level of frustration that would make the road even more dangerous.

Meanwhile, word that state police will increase enforcement along Route 125 is very good news. That can start immediately, and might eliminate some of the aggressive driving that could get even worse if traffic is forced to stop every half-mile or so.



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A spell of celebration — Phillips Academy seniors (clockwise from bottom left) Omar Jaffer, Ish Harshawat, Aseem Gupta, Eric Sherman and Bristol Crawford were responsible for hanging the sign above the door at the Pease House dorm that has caused such consternation among passing motorists, who figured the kids didn't know an 's' from a 'c.' But it was all in good fun. See story, page 2.

A holiday primer on some good books



Perry Colmore

I know of no better gift to give during the holidays than a book. So here's a look at what I've been reading lately, in case one of them sounds like a fit for a person on your list.

I'll start with the best of my most recent reads: *Angela's Ashes* (Scribner/1996). I borrowed this one and the price was cut from the jacket. Frank McCourt has written a stunning account of growing up poor and Catholic in Ireland. I couldn't put it down, although two people recently told me they didn't even finish it. Go figure. My husband said he'd never be able to read it because it would be too depressing, but somehow McCourt has woven family, hunger, babyhood through puberty and onto young manhood, Catholicism, humor and pathos into this account of his early life.

One wonders why he's alive today. Take, for instance, the scene he describes of being so hungry that the young Frank licks and sucks the headlines of a discarded newspaper in

which fish and chips had been wrapped. He sucks the grease dry. The book's a riveting account of an Irish Catholic childhood, complete with siblings dying of starvation or consumption and an alcoholic father you can't help loving.

Being the oldest child, Frank often is sent to the local pubs in search of his father, who is supposed to have brought home his pay so the family can eat that night.

"My heart is pounding away in my chest and I don't know what to do because I know I'm raging inside like my mother by the fire and all I can think of doing is running in and giving (my father) a good kick in the leg and running out again, but I don't because we have the mornings by the fire when he tells me about Cuchulain and DeValera and Roosevelt, and if he's there drunk and buying pints with the baby's money he has that look in his eyes."

This book is tragic. It's real. And it's funny.

Together, my husband and I are reading Doris Kearns Goodwin's memoir, *Wait Till Next Year* (Simon & Schuster/1997/\$25). If you have a baseball fan on your list, this book is the one for him or her. I am not really a baseball fan, but I'm a Goodwin fan, and so I thought it would be a good one for my husband and me to share. He reads aloud to me more often than I to him,

but it's fun to read together.

You might remember when Goodwin came to Andover last year during the town's 350th anniversary celebration. She spoke at the Collins Center, a great deal about her Pulitzer Prize winning book, *No Ordinary Time*, her spell-binding account of Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt's years in the White House, but she also told us she was working on *Wait Till Next Year*.

Goodwin's mother was an invalid, so as a child Goodwin learned from her father to love baseball. It was a special father-daughter bond, and Goodwin grew up loving baseball. But this is more than baseball; it's an account of Goodwin's growing up in the 1950s in the suburbs of New York. I like this book, but if you haven't read *No Ordinary Time*, that's my favorite of hers. Also, if you haven't heard her speak and you get the chance, do it; she speaks the way she writes: every sentence is packed full of interesting detail. She lives in Concord, so she does appear at book-signings and other events in the area.

On the very light side, try Philip R. Craig's *A Deadly Vineyard Holiday* (Scribner/1997/\$21). Craig, who teaches English at Wheelock College in Boston (my alma mater), lives on the Vineyard in the summer. In the winter, he lives in Hamilton, where I once lived and where I was in the early 1980s editor of the *Hamilton-Wenham Chronicle*. I

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LETTERS

Want small-town quality? Try small-town courtesy

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I would like to submit the following worrisome observation in response to your fine editorial ("Time to cultivate a sense of community," *Townsmen*, Dec. 4), and the new Andoverites' excellent priorities, interests, willingness to volunteer/network and "experience real community."

If they, too, so love our town (I've only lived here 25 years but have also loved it from "day one"), why do they desecrate it so by running red lights, tailgating, surpassing the legal speed limits on all our streets, showing no respect for the rules of the road, no consideration for our pedestrians nor basic courtesy for their friends and neighbors?

Obviously, old "big city" habits die hard. To "improve" Andover we must in reality return to some of its small-town quaintness, specifically that of having a sense of community pride that within our town boundaries we must not become so harried as to "push and shove," forgetting that in such a small town everybody knows your face if not your name, your vehicle even if the windows are tinted.

An effort of at least some superficial show of driving courtesy would go a long way toward "improving" our town and cost nothing.

Ann B. Hamilton
20 Clark Road

New superintendent needs partnership with library

Editor, *Townsmen*:

(The following letter, dated Dec. 5, was sent to the Andover School committee, with a copy to the *Townsmen*.)

Dear Ms. Girdwood and the committee members:

I would like to address the Superintendent Search Committee on behalf of the Trustees of Memorial Hall Library. We have a strong interest in having a superintendent of schools selected who values and supports the development and funding of public school media centers and staff librarians.

In addition, we would like to have a superintendent of schools who recognizes the importance of the public library in students' education and who will seek to build a cooperative partnership with Memorial Hall Library.

The importance of libraries in the education of students can be documented in a variety of ways. One clear example of this importance comes in a section of the recent Andover Public Schools report entitled *Excellence ... By Design: Blueprint for Andover 21*. On page 4 of this document, a list of "Major Trends of the 21st Century" are included as part of the foundation of this plan. The first

three of these trends, which come from John Naisbitt's book *Global Paradox*, are:

- Shift from specialization to general knowledge
- Rapidly changing knowledge base
- New technology in all areas of life

All of these trends require that students become life-long learners who avail themselves of a wide variety of resources such as those available at a library.

With the proper administrative support, the school and town libraries can work together to help provide students with the resources they need to develop the essential skills that will make them life-long learners who are able to successfully adapt to future changes in knowledge and technology.

The trustees recognize the progress that has been made by Andover schools in staffing the school media centers with professional librarians and media specialists. There is still more to do. Increased funding is essential to provide an adequate supply of materials for the school libraries.

Our vision for the future is one in which all libraries in Andover are working together to promote reading and to help students as they become life-long learners and capable, critical users of information and technology. We ask that the search committee help to insure that Andover's students receive the research and technology skills they need to prepare them for future study and work by searching for a candidate who will advocate for excellence in school libraries and who will seek to build a cooperative partnership with the public library.

Karen Herman, president
Board of Library Trustees

Au pair debate: Round Two

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Well, first of all to Ms. (I assume) Lorri S. Covitz, I am very sure that you are a mover and shaker. One can see that ("Au pairs are slave labor? No way," *Letters*, Dec. 11). No, I never did have an au pair. Probably never had the money to play lord of the manor. Well, I am glad to learn that au pair means "on equal." Of course, what equal has to do with bringing up one's children while the parent/parents have a wonderful, lucrative career with "upscale" (your words) cars, etc., I don't know.

Further, the children can learn about geography, cultures, etc. from school or schools. That is, if the children wish to, or are not too stupid. Of course, in your letter detailing your "upscale" car, trips to Florida, meals at the local county club, etc. etc., one can see very plainly the "Gee, we/I have au-pairs and we/I provide all these 'upscale' things." That goes to my statement about aristocrats — it is certainly evident that you are not one.

Of course, you will be with the Eapens. Same scale, same music, same thinking, same environment. Just one more thing. You mention government

fees, plane tickets and transportation, etc. — just how does the au pair, the "on equal" person benefit from that? So, I repeat, it is all surrounded with the fine \$200 words: Cultural exchange, social intercourse and the greatest one of all — love for humanity.

In closing, to show that I do have a little education, I quote William Shakespeare, "Me thinks thou dost protest too much."

Kenneth T. Buck
8 Summer St.

What's lost at Christmas?

Editor, *Townsmen*:
Modern Christmas

I saw a man selling pencils.
He asked me if I could help.
I told I did not have any change.
I just spent three thousand on jewelry.
He asked me where I was spending Christmas.

I told him I would be at home with the family.

I would be at the summer home overlooking the lake.

He is praying for intelligent company and a warm meal at the shelter.

The more we looked at each other,
The more we both realized I would not help him.

This is what we have all lost at Christmas.

We haven't much to be proud of.

Tom Belle
29 Bradley Road

Happy now to have been a clown

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I was a reluctant Andona clown in the recent Firefighters' Santa Parade, who finished very glad I'd marched. The following poem was inspired by that.

The parade was small, the gathering sparse,
The day was damp and drear.

The clown stood clutching her sticks of balloons
and watched the time draw near.

She didn't want to be a clown,
She didn't think she knew

How to be funny, or cute, or clever
Or whatever else clowns do.

She wore a curly wig, a hat.
Her face was blocked in white,

Then colored with purple and blue,
and red.

Her full striped suit was bright.
Her nose was stuffed, and then it ran,

Her Kleenex was soon quite drowned
She didn't want to be there

Thought the smiling-faced new clown.
Her balloons popped, her sticks

dropped,
Her candy fell to the ground.

As she leaned over to retrieve it,
She heard "I can't believe it!"

She stood and grimly saw.
She'd ruined a photo op.

With her behind raised high she'd been

In front of a younger clown's top.
The parade started slowly, with a surge from behind,

A surge not echoed at the front of the line.

Slow, pressed together, the clowns started their walk.

More clowns than children, to give they must stalk

The mother in her cringed
As clumps of clowns swooped in.

Were she a child she'd find it hard
To stand up to those grins.

The parade marched on, the crowd grew thick,

Now and again it was she who picked
Eager eyes, outstretched fingers.

To find just one more she began to linger.

She fell so far behind the rest,
Searching for one more hand,

She trampled a trumpet, whose blast expressed

The need for a clown in a band.
The parade was half over, her basket

still full,
And she was at the end.

The clowns ahead did so much that day
She felt herself just in the way.

She'd joined this group to give but it seemed she wasn't needed.

The emotion was hard to swallow.
But deep in self-pity, in the midst of a

parade
Was not where she chose to wallow.

She looked at her basket and she looked at the crowd.

She looked, and she understood:
The youngest ones were not the ones

For whom she'd do most good.
Silent children stood behind, children

whose shoulders bowed
With burdens they'd assumed.

Those were the children she was to find,

The ones whose shadows' loomed.
She had to look inside herself, to find

the child she was:
The child lured by Santa's parade.

A child wanting warmth, connection,
joy:

A promise the clown wanted made.
Now everywhere she looked she saw

A lack that she could fill.
And, when, as happened all too soon,

She handed out her last balloon,
She marched on, smiling, unafraid,

And proud she marched in the parade.
Her gift was to wish them well,

A promise was what she made.
Her promise sent, her energy lent

To the children lining the road.
She honored the spirit of giving,

As she improved her skill at living.
And when a face wrinkled as hers lit up

Or an unsteady hand lifted to wave,
She knew that this sharing of human

warmth
Gave her more than that which she

gave.

Judith Turner
Fossen Way

More letters,
page 40-42

BUSINESS

Cotch promoted at GWA

GWA Information Systems, Inc. (GWA) announced the appointment of **Peter John Cotch** of Andover as senior sales executive in charge of the healthcare systems division.

Cotch was previously director of sales and marketing at CenterVision in Woburn. Prior to that he was a principal at ChemRisk, a human health and ecological risk-assessment consulting firm in Portland, Maine. The graduate of New England College also served as administrative assistant to the New Hampshire Senate President and was a member of the Concord, N.H., City Council.

For more than a decade, GWA has been helping businesses improve their accounts receivable management. It recently introduced a system tailored specifically to hospitals and other healthcare providers. The centerpiece of GWA's system is a proprietary software application called CollectNet, deliverable over the Internet. CollectNet enables users to reduce costs, streamline operations and maximize cash flow while safeguarding patient relations by keeping control of the collection operation in-house.

Jones named VP at New Boston Fund

New Boston Fund, Inc. has announced the promotion of **Thomas Jones** of Andover to vice president of accounting and finance. Previously, Jones was the controller of the firm.

New Boston Fund, Inc. is one of the fastest growing private real estate investment companies in New England. Jones is



Thomas Jones

Too early to predict impact of 'Asian money flu'

Local companies say it's too early to measure the impact of the Asian financial crisis on Andover businesses but the global economy is in for "some radical changes or some very bad news," according to at least one local investment manager, **Bill Ryan**.

From manufacturers to local investment brokers, the impact of South Korea's financial collapse is still yet to be calculated.

For Andover's PictureTel, the company's biggest market is in the United States and Europe. Korea accounts for a relatively small amount of its sales, and the impact of the country's financial collapse on the firm cannot yet be measured, says spokesman **Kevin Flanagan**.

Flanagan says he wouldn't be surprised if the financial crisis even increases their sales — he thinks people may be more reluctant to spend money traveling to Korea now, and may buy video conferencing equipment from PictureTel to hold international meetings.

PictureTel equipment is manufactured with mostly American-made parts, Flanagan says.

Bob Baker, president of Key Polymer, which manufactures adhesives and coatings in the Lawrence Industrial Park, says the cost of their products has crept up gradually, not from the sudden fall in the value of Korean currency but in the "subtle, long-term effects" of the Japanese yen's waning value against the American dollar.

For Key Polymer, a small manufacturer that does a small portion of its

responsible for accounting and financial oversight and reporting related to the company's equity base of 250 investors, totaling \$85 million. He is also responsible for financial reporting for New Boston's \$250 million portfolio

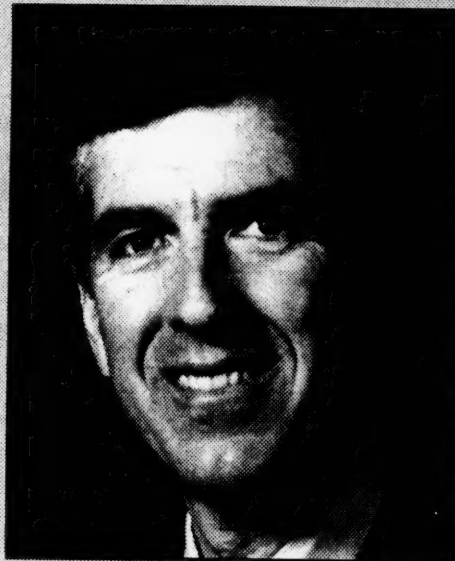


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Ryan — good time to go mainstream.

business with Korea, it is also too early to measure the impact, Baker says, but he plans to maintain relationships with Korean companies by encouraging them to buy in smaller amounts over a long period of time.

Local investors say the trickle down effect of the "Asian flu," from the big picture to the local banks, is minimal at the moment, and if things change locally it would be in response to the international economy.

Andover Bank President **Gerry Mulligan** says the only local effect he might expect is that interest rates won't go up for a while.

Ryan, of Ryan Financial Advisors, an Andover firm since 1989, says local

of more than 3.3 million square feet of commercial real estate and 250 acres of land.

Jones is a certified public accountant; a member of the Treasurers Club, a group of leading Boston financial

impacts may be more clear when and if Asian markets shift to free economies.

"It's all about the never-ending struggle between nationalism and internationalism," Ryan says, as the Asian economies controlled by a central government begin to "show their true weaknesses."

Many Asian economies won't accept foreign investments and won't sell foreign goods, but are maintained by government money.

"These artificial aids make you soft. You can't compete in the world without that crutch," says Ryan who is hoping that closed Asian economies will open up to the free market, especially since they are being supported by the International Monetary Fund, fueled by capitalist countries.

Ryan says Korea and Japan have run "isolationist economies" that sell products in the United States and don't permit the sale of foreign goods in their countries.

"When a country like Korea or Japan has these problems and suddenly comes hat in hand asking 'Will you bail us out?' it's sort of like, 'So when are you going to join the team?'" Ryan says.

Ryan says he'll still encourage his clients to invest internationally for diversity's sake, but rather than recommending "emerging" markets like Malaysia or China, he would recommend mainstream companies in "established" economies like Great Britain, that have a system of checks and balances.

— Rebecca Lipchitz

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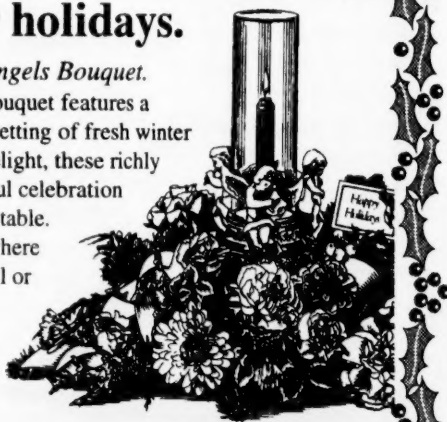
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BUSINESS

(Continued from page 10) construction, development, and management firm with a portfolio of more than 100 hotels, office and retail properties.

Jones obtained his CPA qualification while working for the international accounting firm, Arthur Andersen & Co.

Seaman Anderson takes part in naval exercise

Navy Seaman Walter J. Anderson, son of Walter J. and Elizabeth A. Anderson of 22 Railroad St., recently participated in Exercise Bright Star '97 while on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the aircraft carrier USS George Washington.

More than 5,000 sailors and marines aboard the carrier participated in the multinational exercise, which entailed naval, tactical air, amphibious assault, undersea, special forces and ground combat training.

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Anderson joined the Navy in November 1996.

Raytheon promotes three executives

Raytheon Company has announced the promotion of three senior executives. David W. Welp has been named senior vice president and president of Raytheon TI Systems; Francis S. Marchilena has been named vice president and assistant general manager of Raytheon Electronic Systems; and Keith Peden has been named vice president and deputy director of human resources.

"The promotions of these highly respected individuals will significantly strengthen Raytheon's senior management ranks," said Dennis J. Picard, chairman and chief executive officer of Raytheon. "We will rely on their proven talents and skills to capitalize on the many opportunities that lie ahead as

we fully integrate business operations and expand our global market presence."

Welp will continue to oversee the operations of Raytheon TI Systems, a Dallas, Texas-based subsidiary. He has held the title of president of Raytheon TI Systems, formerly the defense systems and electronics unit of Texas Instruments, since September 1996. Raytheon TI Systems, acquired by Raytheon in July 1997, designs, develops and produces missile systems, radars, night vision systems and other defense electronics subsystems. Welp, who joined TI Systems in 1978, held many executive posts including deputy to the president and manager of the Advanced Programs Division.

Peden is responsible for the design, development and implementation of compensation, benefits,

international human resources and human resources systems. He was formerly deputy director of human resources. Before joining Raytheon in 1993 as head of benefits and compensation, Peden served as director of Worldwide Compensation, Benefits and Human Resource Information Systems for Lotus Development Corporation. The Michigan native earned a bachelor's degree at Western Michigan University and master's degree at Eastern Michigan University. He currently lives in Medway.

Raytheon, headquartered in Lexington, is a \$14 billion global technology leader which operates in the defense and commercial electronics, engineering and construction, aircraft and appliance markets. Raytheon celebrates its 75th anniversary this year.



Johanna Webster

Webster attends regional real estate conference

Johanna Webster of ERA The Webster Group recently attended a three-day ERA Real Estate regional conference in Atlantic City, N.J. The conference featured top speakers and educational breakout sessions for ERA member brokers and sales associates in the Northeast region. The "New Year's in November" conference celebrated ERA Real Estate's

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25th year in the real estate industry, while concentrating on business planning techniques for next year.

"Technology, excellent customer service and quality products and services are refining ERA Real Estate," Webster said. "The regional conference was an effective way to get a head start on 1998."

The conference highlighted motivational speakers, such as industry expert **Bill Barrett** and technology expert **Roald Marth**, founder and CEO of Multiple Technology Training Companies. Discussions focused on the latest real estate news and trends, including new tax laws.

Webster accepted two awards in 1997. One award was given to her and her office for being the top selling broker in total closed dollar volume and the other was given to Webster as top producing agent.

ERA The Webster Group is a member of ERA Franchise Systems, Inc., a subsidiary of HFS Incorporated, a leader in the residential real estate industry with more than 25 years' experience in developing consumer-oriented products and services. The ERA Real Estate network includes more than 2,600 independently owned and operated brokerage offices with more than 27,000 brokers and sales associates throughout the United States and 16 other countries. The ERA Internet address is

<http://www.ERA.com>.

Starr wins national award

Andover resident **Jeffrey Starr** has won a national corporate award from his employer Sodexho, a food and management services firm. The regional operations manager in Sodexho's Education and Corporate Services Division/New England region won the Leadership Award at the company's annual meeting held in Orlando, Fla.

The Leadership Award is given annually to the regional or corporate manager who demonstrates excellence in operational and functional leadership. Starr was awarded \$5,000 and an engraved plaque.

Sodexho has more than 20,000 employees working at 1,600 accounts in the fields of business, education, and health care.

Dr. Dollard to volunteer at Dental Congress

Andover dentist **Paul Dollard, DDS**, has agreed to serve as a volunteer for the 23rd Yankee Dental Congress, which will convene Jan. 15-18 at the Hynes Convention Center in Boston. Dr. Dollard will preside over a scientific program on preparation and temporaries for dentists.

Yankee Dental Congress is sponsored by Massachusetts Dental society in cooperation with the Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Rhode Island dental associations.

"Designs for a Brighter Future" will be the

theme of this year's Yankee, the nation's only regional dental scientific meeting.

Dr. Dollard practices in Malden.

PAN Communications gets Cole-Haan contract

PAN Communications, Inc., a public relations firm based in Andover, has recently been retained by Cole-Haan, a manufacturer and specialty retailer of men's and women's handcrafted leather footwear and accessories, headquartered in Yarmouth,

Maine. PAN has been selected to build brand awareness of Cole-Haan's small leather goods and accessories collections as well as to promote its specialty stores as gift-giving destinations throughout the holiday season.

"We're thrilled to be partnering with PAN Communications for the holiday selling season," said **Diane Howe**, Cole-Haan director of retail marketing and advertising. "The PAN team has created a very strategic media relations campaign to help the company increase visibility for Cole-Haan footwear and acces-



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PAN Communications was tapped for the assignment largely based on its experience in promoting fashion and retail clients including fine jewelry designers David Yurman and Philippe Charriol, home furnishings catalog Rue de France, women's retailer The Store at KGR and Brookstone stores.

The agency, founded in 1995, provides public relations counsel to nationwide clients in four diverse portfolios: consumer/fashion, business-to-business, high technology, and trade shows.

Puolo completes real estate course

Beth Poulo has completed the specialized real estate business course entitled "Business Development for the Residential Specialist" conducted by the Residential Sales Council of the Realtors National Marketing Institute.

The course, conducted in Burlington, Vt., is one of the required classes that must be taken by real estate agents and brokers who will eventually qualify for the Certified Residential Specialists (CRS) designation.

The two-day course covered the preparation of business plans, marketing programs and operations budgets.

Students were subject to hands-on development of plans and programs designed to ensure the professionalism of the residential sales associates.

"There are many

new marketing techniques that can effectively serve our real estate customers," said Poulo, "and I have already begun to apply the procedures covered during this course in my work at Prudential Howe & Doherty Realtors."

This group is part of the Realtors National Marketing Institute, an affiliate of the National Association of Realtors.

Zembko made VP of engineering at ECRM

Michael C. Zembko of Andover has been promoted to the position of vice president of engineering at ECRM Incorporated, an international manufacturer of color imagesetting and platesetting systems. The former director of engineering's new responsibilities will include managing the entire engineering team, strategic product planning and product development.

Prior to joining ECRM, Zembko was director of engineering with Optronics, where he managed a department of 70 scientists and engineers and participated on a management team that

increased the business from \$12 million to \$50 million. He also worked for AGFA Prepress Systems (formerly Compugraphic). Zembko holds a BSEE, MS in physics from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

ECRM, a manufacturer of color imaging systems, including computer-to-plate, was founded in 1969.

Local landscaper to open antique shop

Mark Donohoe, owner of Riverside Landscaping in Andover, announces the opening of Twelfth Night, a new antique shop, at 348 North Main St.

The official opening of the store will be January 6, "which is Twelfth Night," he notes, "but we may be in there a few days before that."

The store will feature mostly pine furniture from the early 1800s from northern New England and Canada. It will also include prints from a Rockport artist, gifts as well, through artist Carrissa Newcomer of New Hampshire.

"She can hand-paint signs and murals, or go to somebody's home and

do hand painting of things like vines around the door," he says, adding, "she also does portraits."

Donohoe, who has gained local fame for putting up the Brickstone Tree at each Christmas season, says the new shop is, "sort of a spinoff from all of that — all the traveling I've done and all the different ideas for the sleighs. We've kept it pretty rustic."

He says during his travels, he's "never been able to drive past an antique shop (in northern New England) without stopping."

The hours of the shop are not set yet, Donohoe says, "but that will be established once we get going."

Christie to chair Harvard Pilgrim board

Harvard Pilgrim Health Care of Brookline has announced the election of Gregory J. Christie, of Old South Lane, Andover, as chairman of the board, Somerville Center.

Christie, a senior physician associate, will continue with his practice of ambulatory, occupational and sports medicine.

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basis or to encourage a newcomer to join in. There is no expiration date, so certificates may be used throughout the year.

Special holiday movie

Beauty and the Beast: An Enchanted Christmas will be shown during school vacation, Monday, Dec. 29, at 12:30 p.m.

Bring a young one to enjoy this movie.

Pot luck lunch

Bring your favorite dish to the Senior Center Wednesday, Dec. 31, at noon for a pot luck lunch. Sign up at the center to bring a dish and then stay for entertainment by the St. Augustine's Country Bumpkins.

Canned goods

The Senior Center is accepting canned

food and paper products to help support Bread & Roses and Lazarus House. Items may be dropped off at the center during normal business hours through December.

Andover investment group

The meeting of the investment group on Monday, Dec. 23, has been canceled. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, Jan. 20. For more information, call Joanne Raye at 475-2143.

Here's help for writing memoirs

Writer and college professor Peggy Rambach will offer a Writing Workshop in Memoir at Heritage at North Andover, beginning Jan. 6. The eight-week course will be held every Wednesday from 10 to 11:30 a.m. through Feb. 25.

Participants will develop techniques central to effective prose writing and examine



Peggy Rambach

aspects of writing that are unique to the memoir form. The workshop's goal is to celebrate the strength of all work while introducing participants to the rigors and rewards of discovering the significance of memories through the written word.

For more information, call Rambach at 470-2619.

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Tuesday: Baked chicken, baked potatoes, carrots, whole grain bread, homemade frosted cake.

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The senior center will serve baked chicken Monday, Dec. 29, and pork chopette Tuesday, Dec. 30.

All menus are subject to change.



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Books for the holidays ...

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interviewed Craig during that time because he was writing his mystery books, and because he was known as an excellent cook.

His writing is not fancy, and the plots aren't that intricate, but I found myself wanting to return to this book to learn what would happen. This book is fun because you recognize the names of streets, restaurants, buildings and beaches.

In addition, there is a lot of food talk, and at the end of the book he includes three recipes from the plot: Stuffed Blue Fish, Ritz Scallops and Clams Casino.

Craig's written lots of Vineyard mysteries, including *Death on a Vineyard Beach*, *A Case of Vineyard Poison*, *Off Season*, *Cliff Hanger* and others. They're quick reads. Take them to the Caribbean in February; you won't have to concentrate too much.

Right now I'm reading Sebastian Junger's *The Perfect Storm* (W.W. Norton and Co./1997/\$23.95). I probably wouldn't have picked up this one if my husband hadn't been reading it and constantly interrupting with, "Listen to this..."

This is the true story of the fishing industry, rescues at sea, and a tuna fishing boat that was lost out of Gloucester during the meteorologically "perfect" storm in 1991. Junger is a freelance journalist who has done what most reporters wish they could do: come upon a story so full of intrigue and adventure that you turn it into a book that sells.

I read Elizabeth Berg's *Joy School* (Random House/1997/\$19) not too long ago. I first "met" Berg by reading *Talk Before Sleep*, a sad and compelling account of a small group of women who are very close, and who support one of the group who is dying/dies of breast cancer. Of course I couldn't put that one down, and when I finished it, I wanted more Berg, so I've read them all and they're good. She knows how people talk and act, and she writes about real things.

However, *Joy School* is my least favorite of her books. It should be categorized, I think, as a young adult's novel. It is about a lonely young teen whose mother has died, whose father is quite distant and cold and who is struggling with teen issues. I finished it, and I thought it was done well, but I felt a teen would appreciate it more than I. This book would be perfect for a mother and daughter to read together, or a father-daughter team would probably benefit from reading it together, also.

The next book I plan to read (unless of course someone puts another under my nose and I can't resist, so it momentarily gets bumped down the pile) is Kathleen Norris' *Dakota, A Spiritual Geog-*

raphy (Houghton Mifflin Co./1993/\$12 in paperback), which my husband just finished. He read to me from *Dakota* from time to time, and it does sound like a spiritual journey.

Each chapter is like a separate column, the way I see it, and each chapter begins with a sort of weather report. "I walk downtown, wearing a good many of the clothes I own, keeping my head down and breathing through several thickness of a wool scarf. A day so cold it hurts to breathe; dry enough to freeze spit. Kids crack it on the sidewalk."

It's poetry, really, and quite beautiful. And besides, I know very little about the Dakotas. One chapter begins, "The Dakotas are America's Empty Quarter, with a population of about one and one-third million people, roughly one fifth of the population of New York City, or a third that of Los Angeles, or a little less than half that of Chicago, spread over an area almost the size of California, and three times larger than New York State. Few appreciate the harsh beauty of a land that rolls like the ocean floor it once was, where dry winds scour out buttes, and the temperature can reach 110 degrees above or plunge to 30 below zero for a week or more. Say what you will about our climate, in Dakota we say it keeps the riff raff out."

I like that. I will read it.

I had the chance recently to hear Carol Shields read from her latest book, *Larry's Party* (Viking/1997, \$23.95) and so I bought it and read it. Her Pulitzer-Prize winning *The Stone Diaries* is one of my favorites, so I thought *Larry's Party* was a safe bet. It is. She said this is the first time she has written from a man's point of view, and I sure am not qualified to say if she got it right, but it read well to me.

Larry Weller, her character, was born in 1950 and this book is about a very ordinary person, about his friends, his two marriages (both fail), and about his work, and his body. It's the story of a man who fumbles through life. I think it's Shields' extraordinary writing that makes so mundane a subject work. You won't be disappointed with this one.

My final suggestion is a cookbook. For the first time in years, I have time to cook, and when I'm not rushed, cooking is a good thing for me to do. It relaxes me and often I am pleased with the results. Now don't be put off by the title: *Diet Workshop's Recipes for Healthy Living*, by Lois L. Lindauer and Sally Sampson (Doubleday/1995/\$25). The recipes are simple and I haven't tried one yet that I can't wait to repeat. (Actually, I made a chocolate cake that is sweetened

with sweet potatoes and it looked awful but, I thought, tasted wonderful. My husband didn't like it.) The recipes are not difficult, don't take that long, and it's the kind of food you can serve at a dinner party without too much fussing. And the recipes are healthy.

I'll leave you with a gift: Mashed Sweet Potatoes, which I served on Thanksgiving. I think it was one of the best dishes on the table.

Mashed Sweet Potatoes

3 medium-size sweet potatoes, scrubbed or peeled and quartered

2 garlic cloves, peeled and finely chopped or pressed

1 teaspoon chopped fresh ginger root or more, to taste

3 tablespoons yogurt cheese (plain yogurt

strained all day long through cheese cloth)

3/4 teaspoon kosher salt

1/4 teaspoon white pepper

2 tablespoons skim milk

Place sweet potatoes, garlic and ginger in a medium-size saucepan and cover with water. Bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat to medium and cook about 20 minutes or until potatoes are tender. Drain and mash well with a fork. If you prefer your mashed potatoes smooth, use a hand beater. Do not use a food processor or blender; it will make the potatoes elastic. Add remaining ingredients. If necessary, reheat over low heat.

Perry Colmore is former editor of the Townsman.

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Ashley Murray, daughter of William and Lynda Murray of 8 Ellsworth Road, participated in the Annual Entering Student Outdoor Program (AESOP) before the start of the 1997 fall semester at Bates College in Lewiston, Maine.

The AESOP trips allow first-year students to meet fellow classmates before formal and orientation begins. Each of these three to four-day outdoor excursions in Maine and New Hampshire consists of two upperclass student leaders and eight to 10 new students.

Murray is a 1997 graduate of Phillips Academy.

Elizabeth Jean Beede of Andover, a senior at Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, has been selected to join the students included in *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*.

The psychology major was nominated to the national list of outstanding student leaders by a campus committee and editors of *Who's Who*.

She is the daughter of Richard and Jean Beede.

Jason D. Berube received a bachelor's degree in industrial design from Wentworth Institute of Technology during recent commencement exercises.

Senior cross-country captain Rick Crispo of Andover has seen many changes as a student at Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Worcester.



Rick Crispo

His biggest change came after a trip to Venice, Italy, where he worked on an Interactive Qualifying Project. "That trip changed my life," said the electrical engineering major. "It opened my eyes to new cultural perspectives. As soon as I got back to the WPI campus, I declared international studies

as my second major." He also became a Global Ambassador, working with the Interdisciplinary and Global Studies Division to advertise and promote opportunities to study abroad.

The project he was involved with, Interactive Qualifying Project (IQP), is part of a three-tier academic program known as the WPI Plan. The IQP is usually the second of the three projects students complete and many, such as Crispo, take advantage of going away to one of WPI's 11 project centers located in the U.S. and abroad. His project was involved with establishing a basis for implementing a Local Agenda 21 Sustainability Program for the city of Venice. Agenda 21 is a package of guidelines developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for any city to adopt to start studying how sustainable they are with respect to their economy, environment and social issues. Sustainability for this project was defined as "development which meets the need of the present without endangering the ability of the future generations to meet their own need."

His group came up with a set of recommendations that were presented to the local Agenda 21 office on how best to use their resources, and to direct their attention to the steps they can take to implement the proper policies they need to be a sustainable city.

Crispo also finds time to excel as a cross-country and track runner. He is a three-year member of the cross-country team, and this coming spring, he will compete in his fourth year on the track team. He is one of the top runners for both teams and continues to improve each season, a spokesman said. Crispo earned All-New England and All-ECAC honors as a freshman and sophomore in indoor track. He was part of the strong 4x800 relay team that competed at the historic Penn Relays in the spring of 1996.

"Rick is a talented runner," says his coach, Brian Savilonis. "He takes running seriously, and after a year off, is on the verge of returning to the top of the team."

As Crispo looks back over his four years at WPI, he says he will miss the professors most. "I have loved the program here at WPI. I have the highest respect for the professors I've worked with and many I consider friends."

Brice Center, son of Julian

and Lee Anne Center of Andover, has been named to the dean's list at GMI Engineering & Management Institute in Flint, Mich., for the term ending in October.

Amanda Elizabeth Grasso of Andover presented Transfigurations, a series of woodblock prints, Nov. 3-10 at the McCarthy Arts Center, Saint Michael's College in Colchester, Vt.



Amanda E. Grasso

The senior will graduate from St. Michael's in May with a double major in psychology and fine arts. Grasso is the daughter of Moira Prout Kelleher and Joseph Grasso of Andover.

Columbia University in New York City welcomed more than 1,400 entering freshmen in a convocation ceremony that marked the beginning of the university's 244th academic year.

The 1,489 members of the class of 2001 include Andover students Vanessa S. Buia, Eve L. Klein and Maya D. Nath, all graduates of Phillips Academy.

Sean Croteau, son of Justine and Robert Croteau of Sweetbriar Lane, has become a member of the University of Massachusetts Amherst chapter of Golden Key.

Golden Key is a national academic honor society formed to encourage outstanding scholastic achievement in all fields of study. Membership is by invitation to juniors and seniors who have maintained at least a 3.5 cumulative average on a four-point scale.

Croteau is a member of the class of 1999 majoring in finance at the university, where he received a Chancellor's Award Scholarship and is a member of Alpha Lambda Delta, the honor society for freshmen. He graduated from Andover High School in 1995.

Mount Holyoke student Kelly Donovan, daughter of Richard and Carol Ann Donovan of Andover, will spend her spring semester studying in Ecuador through the school for International Studies Program.

She plans to learn more about the environmental aspects of a tropical ecosystem through the study of the Amazon rain forests and Galapagos Islands. Donovan anticipates her time abroad will help enhance her Spanish language skills.

Jacki Flowers of Haverhill, president of the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) at the University of Maryland, is interning at Ryan-McGinn Strategic Communications in Arlington, Va., this fall. The 1993 graduate of Andover High will receive a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Maryland at College Park in December.

Flowers conducts research for clients, monitors print and electronic media for news stories and commentaries about various issues, and compiles grids of media placements involving company clients.

"We're delighted that Jacki decided to start her career path in public relations with us," said Dan McGinn, president. "Her creativity, writing ability, enthusiasm and media savvy have been outstanding."

She was managing editor of the university's *Eclipse*, a bimonthly magazine, and is a member of the National Association of Black Journalists. In February, Flowers was named one of the American Advertising Federation's "Top 25 Most Promising Minority Advertising Students."

Before joining Ryan-McGinn, Flowers interned with the Boston branch of Blue Cross-Blue Shield, and was an office manager at Americorps, the Clinton Administration's domestic volunteer service program.

Ithaca College in Ithaca, N.Y., recently released the list of students selected to serve on the president's host committee for the 1997-'98 academic year. The list includes Amy Hayner of 185 Greenwood Road. The Andover High School graduate is majoring in music education at the School of Music.

Committee members work closely with the admissions office to provide prospective students with a general overview of life at Ithaca College, lead campus tours, attend monthly meetings and contribute to other programs, like Discovery Days and Ithaca Today.

Members must meet certain criteria, including good academic standing, upperclass status, and familiarity with the campus and its first-year or prospective student academic programs. Prospective committee members are evaluated for their communication skills, self-confidence and extracurricular involvement.

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Michelle Riddle of Andover, a criminal justice major, was named to the president's list at Hesser College in Manchester, N.H. Three Andover students were named to the dean's list: Starr Foresta, paralegal studies; James Mummey, liberal studies; and Sandra O'Neal, business science/individualized studies.

Pulin Patel of Andover and Peter Sirota, formerly of Andover, is one of 12 recipients of Northeastern University's newly established Presidential Scholarship Award Program.

Northeastern's five-year cooperative education program rounds out students' resumes by alternating professional work experience with traditional classroom instruction. Presidential scholars receive full tuition for their three remaining undergraduate years at the university.



Pulin Patel

Patel plans to pursue a career in pharmacy or go into pre-med. His current co-op is with the Boston Medical Center, where he works in the central pharmacy, intravenous medicine room and the pharmacy serving the intensive care unit. "I see a very strong connection between the classroom and the job. The lessons that I learn in school give me the foundation to know about the drugs and how to prepare them for the patients at the medical center."

Patel was among 189 applicants competing for the scholarships, announced earlier this year. Eligible students were sophomores with a minimum 3.5 grade-point average. Winners were chosen for excellence in the three components of a Northeastern education: liberal arts, a major course of study, and related hands-on work experience.

Boston-based Northeastern

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Local students receive honors at area schools

The following students from Andover have received honors at local or area private schools for the first term.

St. John's Preparatory School

St. John's Preparatory School in Danvers announced the induction of 82 members of its senior class, including Andover residents Patrick Coleman, William Hankey, Derek Kung and Michael Ravens, into the Brother Benjamin Chapter of the National Honor Society. The Nov. 6 induction ceremony at Danversport Yacht Club honored the seniors not only for their academic accomplishments but also for excellence in character, leadership and service to the school and community.

Students must have a cumulative grade-point average of 3.2 to qualify for membership in the Brother Benjamin Chapter of the National Honor Society. They must demonstrate leadership and character through a detailed summary of their activities and achievements while at St. John's along with an essay on the meaning of character. Finally, as an essential criteria for membership, students must perform a minimum of 20 hours of volunteer service to finalize their eligibility.

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SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Here's what for lunch in the Andover public schools next week, Dec. 22 and 23:

Elementary schools

Monday: Broiled teriyaki nuggets with barbecue sauce, potato puffs, corn, ketchup, bread and butter, chilled pineapple, milk or juice.

Tuesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, bread and butter, homemade chocolate cake with frosting, milk or juice.

Wednesday: No school. Vacation begins. Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and a pizza lunch are available daily.

Middle schools

Monday: Hamburger or cheeseburger, potato chips, sliced carrots, fruit cup, milk; or hot pastrami sub, choice of cheese, pickles and onions, sliced carrots, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Steak sub with choice of peppers, onions and cheese, french fries, ketchup, peas, fudge brownie, milk; or chicken nuggets with honey dip, french fries, ketchup, peas, fudge brownie, milk.

Wednesday: No school. Vacation begins.

A pizza and sub lunch is available daily. All menus are subject to change.

Students receive honors at area schools

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Andover named to the Our Lady of Nazareth Academy honor roll for first quarter are:

First honors: Rachel DeMella and Tirzah Heller, grade 10; Lynn M. Palardy, grade 12. Second honors: Natasha Gobiell, grade 12. Third honors: Kristin Connors, grade 9.

Belmont Hill School

Daniel Lombard, son of Michael Lombard and Patricia Lombard of Andover,

was recognized for achieving high honors at Belmont Hill School in Belmont at a recent ceremony.

Lombard was named to the Cum Laude Society, a national organization established in 1906 and mirroring the Phi Beta Kappa program for colleges. The award is given to the top 10 percent of the Fifth Form (juniors).

Lombard also received recognition from the College Board as a Scholar. This award is granted to students who receive a grade of 3 or

higher on three or more Advanced Placement Exams on full-year courses.

Academy of Notre Dame

Pallabi Sanyal of Andover has been named to the principal's list at Academy of Notre Dame for the first quarter of the 1997-'98 academic year.

Chapel Hill-Chauncy Hall School

Daniel Sciabarrasi, a freshman at Chapel Hill-

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University grants degrees through seven colleges and nine graduate and professional schools.

Tara Patenaude of Andover was one of four seniors at Ursinus College in Collegeville, Pa., who passed the Elementary Diploma in French Language Exam and qualified to take the next level exam. The exam is recognized by the French Ministry of Education and is administered by the Alliance Française or other approved centers.

Patenaude is the daughter of Sandra Strohman and Edward Patenaude of Portsmouth, N.H.

The exam, given throughout the world, tests students' ability to function in French, linguistically and culturally. The exam was given Oct. 18 at Rosemont College, and students took the second level test Nov. 8.

Jeannette Paull, a Union College class of 2001 environmental studies major at Union College in Schenectady, N.Y., participated in the Student Outreach Program (S.O.P.), a volunteer program that brings Union students into local elementary schools to teach and excite young students about chemistry.

Paull of 1 Virginia Road is a 1997 graduate of Andover High School.

The students in the S.O.P. are continuing a vision that prompted Union College chemistry pro-

fessor Charlie Scaife to go on the road during his sabbatical four years ago. He loaded his minivan with supplies for his "hands-on" experiments: balloons, breakfast cereal, Elmer's Glue-All, Alka-Seltzer tablets, Ziploc bags and other easy-to-find articles and was on his way across five northeast states.

The positive response he received prompted him to continue the program while juggling a full load of classes. Realizing he was surrounded by the resource of enthusiastic college stu-

dents, Scaife taught a handful of students the methods he and his wife had developed and sent them into local schools.

The Union students traveled to 17 local schools over the course of the year. Teams of two or three teach an after-school program that lasts about an hour and is comprised of three to four experiments. Classroom workshops are supplemented with an evening session where parents are invited to participate with their children. During the evening session, Union students set up the experiments then step back to supervise or answer questions.

Scaife said this program is a way for Union students to explore career options and have fun as well.

Emily Beth Rose, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Rose of Andover, recently participated in the Brown University Meiklejohn Program in Providence, R.I.

The program, named after the late Dean Alexander Meiklejohn, pairs upperclass students with faculty members in advising teams as they help first-year students with the often foreign academic process and general adjustment to college life. About 200 students advise the more than

1,500 first-year students that enter Brown each year.

Rose, a first-semester junior concentrating in biology, is a student coordinator for Brown University's Howard R. Swearer Center for Public Service. The center, founded in 1987, and its staff support the work of students, faculty and community members working to strengthen community relationships.

Andrew Ravens, son of Fred and Joan Ravens of 6 Worthen Place, and **Craig Sutliff**, son of William and Nadine Sutliff of 11 Starr Ave., both graduates of Andover High School, have been

initiated into Beta Theta Pi International Fraternity by the chapter at Syracuse.

Beta Theta Pi, whose code includes devotion to scholarship, brotherhood and service to others, has 115,000 members, including more than 7,000 collegians in 141 chapters in the U.S. and Canada.

Kirk C. Worthley of 4 Dorset Circle was named to the dean's list at Northeastern University College of Business Administration for the summer quarter.

The following Andover students graduated from Northeastern during September ceremonies.

Graduate School of Business Administration: **Timothy J. Dunn** of 112 Colonial Drive, master of business administration.

Graduate Bouve College Pharmacy & Health Science: **Suzanne Gemmell** of 290 Salem St., master of science.

University College: **Lisa O'Leary** of 92 North St., bachelor of science degree; **Nancy Siopes** of 36 Blanchard St. and **Philip Stack** of 3 Punchard Ave., bachelor of science degree in business administration.

College of Business Administration: **Kirk C. Worthley** of 4 Dorset Circle, bachelor of science degree in business administration.



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The officers of National Honor Society at Andover High: (Seated, in front) president Peter Hill, vice-president Lauren Roda; (standing, from left) co-treasurer Sara Tuman, vice-president Brooke Callanan, co-treasurer Lisabeth Willey, adviser Ruby Easton; (seated) vice-president Douglas Shahian. Not in the photo: secretary Lauren Chabot.

AHS holds National Honor Society induction ceremonies

On Monday evening, Nov. 24, 39 Andover High juniors and seniors were inducted into the National Honor Society in a traditional candle-lighting ceremony at Old Town Hall.

The theme of this year's induction was "Perseverance." The keynote speaker, Andover author Mary McGarry Morris, shared her personal story of persevering as an aspiring writer since her youth.

Tina Girdwood, chairwoman of the Andover School Committee; Richard Neal, superintendent of schools; and Ellen Parker, principal of Andover High School, brought greetings to the new inductees.

The officers of National Honor Society spoke on the four tenets of the society: President Peter Hill addressed Scholarship; vice-president Lauren Roda spoke on Leadership; co-treasurers Lisa-

beth Willey and Sara Tuman addressed Service and Character. Vice president Douglas Shahian and secretary Lauren Chabot presented the new inductees as they received their membership pins and certificates. Vice-president Brooke Callanan led the group in the induction pledge.

The Andover High School Madrigals, under the direction of Robert Lague, sang *America the Beautiful*, and with Meredith Affleck as soloist, *He's Not Heavy, He's My Brother* and *I Can Fly*.

To be eligible for induction into the National Honor Society, students must rank in the top 10 percent of their class at the end of their sophomore or junior year. Application for membership includes supplying evidence of proven leadership and service plus character references. Students are then selected for membership by a five-member faculty council.

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On Monday, Nov. 24, a total of 39 Andover High juniors and seniors were inducted into the National Honor Society in a traditional ceremony at Old Town Hall. Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

AHS honors National Honor Society inductees

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The National Honor Society renders many services to Andover High School. They sponsor a drop-in peer tutoring program every Tuesday afternoon in the Career Center and a reception and panel discussion for returning AHS alumni in December. Members befriend and tutor students who are learning English

as a second language. The group raises funds at an auction in the spring for scholarships which are open to any graduating senior.

The following students were inducted: Anne Barmettler, Deborah Bauer, Elizabeth Bigelow, Nicole Bolliger, Mary Cassidy, Terah Chan, Christopher Cordima, Caroline Crocker, Desiree Croteau,

Elizabeth Davis, Melanie Dennis, Meghan Doyle, Liesl Finn, Elizabeth Flood, Claire Givens, Robyn Givens, Allison Glickman, Jesse Greenspan, Julie Hayner, Tai Kattapuram, Michael Lewis, Allison Macrae, Eric Marshall, Pinank Modi, Robert Moore, Erin O'Brien, Lisa Rauso, Mark Rocca, Senjit Sarkar, Jaqueline Sawyer, Benjamin Schmidt, Jennifer Shu, Jeffry Shyu, Richard Sullivan, Anh Tran, Yan Tsang, Kelley Walsh, Benjamin Wessler and Alexis Upton.

College Board names 32 students AP Scholars at Andover High School

Thirty-two students at Andover High School have been named AP Scholars by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement (AP) examinations. Only about 13 percent of the more than 581,000 students who took AP examinations in May performed at a sufficiently high level to merit such recognition.

At Andover High School seven students qualified for

the AP Scholar with Distinction Award by receiving grades of 3 or higher on five or more AP examinations, with an average exam grade of at least 3.5. These students are Papri Bhattacharya, Nathan Coates, Ellen Hsu, Michael Kaufman, Jessica Perkins, Mubbin Rabbani and Heather Young.

Nine students qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor Award by receiving grades of 3 or higher on four or more AP examinations with an average

grade of at least 3.5. They are Justin Conlon, Andrew Douglas, Mark Ewalt, Finnuala Kelleher, Robert Kwon, Benjamin Loring, Matthew McGrath, Emma Nowinski and Matthew Wessler.

Sixteen students qualified for AP Scholar Award by receiving grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams. They are Kristina Deduck, Peter Ellis, Roger Foltz, Michael Garvin, Ginger Hsu, Brian Jordan, Albert Kwon, Joshua Murphy, Michael

Orlandella, Kiran Rahman, Yaniv Rock, Dana Sawyer, David Sullivan, Elisabeth Van Damme, Karthik Venkatesh and Meghan Woo.

AP examinations are graded on a 5-point scale (5 is the highest). This year 31 AP examinations were offered in 17 subject areas, each consisting of multiple-choice and free-response (essay or problem-solving) questions.

The College Board is a national nonprofit association that champions educational

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The board promotes, by means of responsive forums, research, programs and policy development, universal access to high standards of learning, equity of opportunity and sufficient financial support so every qualified student is prepared for success in college and work.

EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, Dec. 18

Holiday choral performance, featuring Haverhill High School Chorus and Universalist Unitarian Church Choir, to benefit Emmaus Inc. of Haverhill, 7:30 p.m., \$3 suggested donation, Universalist Unitarian Church, 15 Kenoza Ave., Haverhill; (978) 372-5173.

SATURDAY, Dec. 20

Nutcracker, presented by Dance Prism, 2:30 and 6:30 p.m., \$16 adults, \$8 children, seniors, West Middle School Auditorium, Shawsheen Road; (978) 371-1038.

Holiday open house, refreshments, 1-4 p.m., Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Nevins Farm & Equine Centre, junction of Routes 28 and 213, Methuen; 687-0056.

The Night the Animals Talked, a holiday story, 6 p.m., \$5 adults, \$2.50 children, barn loft, Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Nevins Farm & Equine Centre, junction of Routes 28 and 213, Methuen; 687-0056.



Santa will visit the MSPCA's holiday open house this Saturday, at the Nevins Farm & Equine Centre, at the junction of Routes 28 and 213 in Methuen. Call 687-0056 for more information.

SUNDAY, Dec. 21

Outdoor Christmas pageant, 5 p.m., cemetery arch, West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road; 475-3528.

"Blue" Christmas service, an

alternative holiday service for those who feel depressed, saddened or "blue" during the holiday season, 3 p.m., First Congregational Church, 15 Lawrence Road, Salem, N.H.; Maureen

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The West Parish Cemetery Arch will become the entrance to Bethlehem for West Parish Church's 21st annual outdoor Christmas Pageant this Sunday, Dec. 21, with a cast of more than 50 children and adults. West Parish is located at 129 Reservation Road. For more information, call the church between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. at 475-3528.

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Nutcracker, 2:30 p.m., see entry under Saturday, Dec. 20.**Hanukkah carnival of fun**, sponsored by Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel, entertainment, hot dog lunch, 11:30 a.m., \$10 per family, Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road; 681-7939.**MONDAY, Dec. 22****Bake sale**, sponsored by Anna Jaques Hospital Aid Association, cafeteria lobby, Anna

Jaques Hospital, Newburyport; (978) 463-1150.

ONGOING**Museums and Historic Homes**
Andover Historical Society permanent exhibit: Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum, containing period rooms from 1820s to 1840s, with 19th-century farm and woodworking tools; library and office hours 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday, Mondays by appointment; \$4 adults, \$2 children, members free;

Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St., 475-2236.

Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology, Main and Phillips Streets, *Origins and Ancestors: Investigating Paleo-Indians in New England*, explores the landscape now called New England at the end of the last Ice Age, from 13,000 to 11,000 years ago, and its first inhabitants, particular focus on recent discoveries about these people and their rapidly changing environment, through July 31, 1998, Tuesday

through Friday noon-5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-1 p.m., free; 749-4490.

North Andover Historical Society, 153 Academy Road, North Andover, maintains two sites that feature museum galleries: 1789 Johnson Cottage, an artisan's home and workshop, and 1715 Parson Barnard House, depicting life from 1715-1830, permanent and changing exhibits

highlight local life from the 17th- to the 20th century, library and archive, \$3 adults, \$1 children, \$2 seniors, Johnson Cottage, tours Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m.-noon and 2-4 p.m., \$5 adults for a combined tour of both properties; 686-4035.

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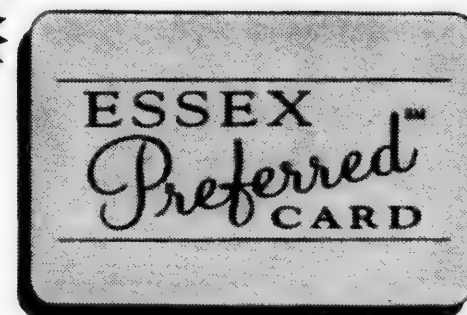
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Dance Prism *Nutcracker* celebrates 15th season — Dance Prism's *Nutcracker* will be held at West Middle School auditorium Saturday, Dec. 20, at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m., and Sunday, Dec. 21, at 2:30 p.m. To purchase reserved seats, call the Dance Prism's box office at (978) 371-1038. In the photo are the Sugarplum Fairy (Marina Flessas) and Cavalier (David W). A number of Andover children appear in the local production.



Students of Le Studio de Ballet in Andover who are Dance Prism or New England Civic Ballet dancers in *The Nutcracker* are (clockwise, from front center): Elana Cogliano, Alice Nam, Meghan Bradley, Marianna Kleyman, E.B. McCarthy, Natasha Pakravan, Alexandra Fey. Center: Stephanie Wong. Not pictured: Renee Stebbins.

Le Studio de Ballet students in 'Nutcracker'

Le Studio de Ballet students Elana Cogliano, Alexandra Fey, and Stephanie Wong, all of Andover, and Alice Nam of North Andover, were chosen to perform in Dance Prism's *Nutcracker*. Elana performs as a caroler, Alexandra as a minidoll, Stephanie as a bon-bon, and Alice as peppermint candy. All four girls will dance in the Andover performances of the ballet. Alexandra is also touring with the company. Performances will be held at West Middle School this weekend.

Ballet students Meghan Bradley, Marianna Kleyman, E.B. McCarthy, Natasha Pakravan, and Stephanie Wong, all of Andover, and Renee Stebbins of Cambridge, were chosen to perform in New England Civic Ballet's *Nutcracker* Dec. 12-13. Meghan, Natasha, and Stephanie danced as children in the party scene. Stephanie also performed as a polichinelle. E.B. and Marianna danced as toy soldiers. Renee performed three roles: party scene parent, snowflake, and flower.

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olution, guided tours of cotton and textile mills, canals, Suffolk Mill Water Power Tour, a 90-minute program, 2:30 p.m., Visitor Center, 246 Market St., Lowell, *Child Labor: Documentary Photography and the Quest for Reform*, historical and contemporary views of child labor in the U.S. and around the world through the photographs of Lewis W. Hine and David L. Parker, gallery hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. daily, closed on various holidays, Boott Gallery, 40 Foot of John Street; Suffolk Mill Turbine Exhibit, noon-4:30 p.m.; tours include Nature of the Merrimack; Canal and River Cruise; Harnessing the Merrimack; Pawtucket Canal Tour; Spindle City Bike Series; Suffolk Mill Waterpower Tour; Downtown Tour; Working People Exhibit; Boott Cotton Mills Museum; (978) 970-5000.

Exploring Lowell, join a ranger for a 30- to 90-minute program exploring a variety of Lowell-relat-

ed topics, all tours are free, 1 p.m., Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market St., Lowell; 970-5000.

American Textile History Museum presents *Textiles in America*, its permanent exhibition of how textiles shaped the lives of people from Colonial times to the present, wheelchair accessible, Tuesday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday and holidays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., closed Christmas and New Year's; \$5 adults 17 and over, \$3 children 6-16, seniors and students with ID; free for children under 6 and museum members, 491 Dutton St., Lowell; (978) 441-0400.

Wenham Museum, exhibits feature *Dwellings: Large and Small*, doll houses ranging in age from 1800s to 1930s, architectural models and drawings; *Play Families*, a collection of Fisher-Price family playsets and pull-toys from 1931 to present; special doll exhibit of original dolls featured on U.S. Post Office's sheet of doll stamps; model and toy train room with three

operating layouts; guided tour of 17th-century Claflin-Richards House, one of the oldest on the North Shore; 132 Main St., Wenham, Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 1-4 p.m., \$4 adults, \$2 children (under 3 free), \$3.50, seniors, members free; (978) 468-2377.

New England Quilt Museum, *Caryl Bryer Fallert: A Spectrum of Quilts, 1983-1995*, an exhibition of 30 quilts that explores the artist's work, through Jan. 3, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, noon-4 p.m. Sundays, \$4 adults, \$3 students and senior citizens, handicapped parking available, 18 Shattuck St., Lowell; (978) 452-4207.

Mogan Cultural Center, *Acropolis of America "The Greek Community of Lowell" 1930-1940*, sponsored by Hellenic Culture Society and Lowell National Historical Park, through March 15; Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 1-5 p.m., 40 French St., Lowell; Lowell National Historical Park (978) 970-5000.

Art Exhibitions

Addison Gallery of American Art, Joel Shapiro: *Sculpture in Clay, Plaster, Wood, Iron and Bronze, 1971-1997*, through Jan. 4; *The Serial Attitude*, through Jan. 4; gallery talks, educational programming and exhibitions open to the public, free of charge, Phillips Academy campus; 749-4015.

Lawrence Heritage State Park, in collaboration with Merrimack Valley Artists, Visitors Center open 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; 794-1655.

Juried art show, Marian Stewart, assistant curator of Fogg Museum, diverse exhibit of creative arts, Essex Art Center, 56 Island St., Lawrence, free and open to public; Leslie Costello 685-2343.

Senior Center artists, talented artists participate in art classes and enjoy the "drop-in group" on Wednesday and Thursday mornings, art display of oils, watercolors, pencil, pen and ink, pastels and oriental brush art is in the Music Room; Andover Senior Center, Whittier Court, 623-8321.

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Gallery, 69 Farrwood Drive, Bradford; (978) 521-0215.

Vertu Fine Art Gallery, *Carnival and Sky*, photograph exhibit, and Mill #1, The Tannery, 50 Water St., Newburyport; (978) 462-3735.

Bravos Arts Gallery presents work by still-life oil painter Dennis Sheehan, neo-expressionist acrylic painter Doris Anthony, wood sculptures by Andrea Alukonis, oil abstracts of the butterfly by Pat Curran, oversized abstract oil paintings by James R. Chisholm, acrylic scenic paintings of New England by Apo Torosyan, through Dec. 20, Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 1 E. Main St., Georgetown Square; (978) 352-8102.

Whistler House Museum of Art, *Patrick Healey: New England Landscape Paintings 1987-1997*, through Dec. 31, Wednesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., \$3 adults, \$2 seniors and children, 243 Worthen St., Lowell; (978) 452-7641.

Memorial Hall Library, displays quilts by Sylvia Einstein, through December, Elm Square; 623-8401.

Brush Art Gallery, *Alluring Realities: Close Observations of Landscape, Architecture and Canine*

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It wasn't a Boston hospital, it was Lawrence General.

Students receive honors at area schools

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Chauncy Hall School in Waltham, was named to the high honor roll for the first quarter. He is the son of James and Judith Sciabarrasi of Andover.

Chapel Hill-Chauncy Hall is a co-educational, college preparatory school for day and boarding students in grades nine through 12 and a post-graduate year.

Middlesex School

Middlesex School in Concord, Mass., an independent boarding and day school for girls and boys in grades 9 through 12, announced that Matt Clark of Andover was one of 11 students to qualify for the AP Scholar Award by receiving grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP examinations. AP Examinations are graded on a 5-point scale, 5 being the highest. Most of the nation's colleges and universities award credit and/or placement for grades of 3 or higher.

Austin Preparatory School

Austin Preparatory School in Reading released its honor roll for the first quarter of the 1997-'98 academic year.

The highest honor is that of Distinction for students who

have achieved six grades of A- or better.

High honors is for students who have achieved at least two A- grades with no grades lower than a B.

Students who achieve honors have at least five B- grades with no grade lower than a C.

The Andover stu-

dents are: Colleen Griffin, Rachel Hartman, Elizabeth Mancuso, distinction; David Hartman, Kristen O'Connell, Caitlin Simili, high honors; Jennifer Boyce, Kristen Boyce, William Deluca, Eric Donahue, Nicholas Lunger, Heather Martin, Thomas Martin,

Daniel Micheline, Jason Ostrowski, Matthew Pimentel, Lauren Vetras, honors.

Bishop Fenwick High School

Bishop Fenwick High School in Peabody announced that the following Andover students have been named to

the honor roll for the first quarter: Principal's List, Tracy Shessler, freshman; first honors, Anne Marie Felago, junior; second honors, Kara Sacco, junior.

Fessenden School

Nicholas Webber and William Chance Webster, both of Andover, were recently honored at the Fessenden School's annual fall

sports awards ceremony.

Webber, a sixth-grade student, was named Most Valuable Player in Cub Football. He is the son of William Webber and Joan Howland.

Webster, an eighth-grade student, received the Coaches' Award for JV Football. He is the son of William and Mary Webster.

Cushing Academy

Cushing Academy in Ashburnham said that Lynn Mazza of Andover, of the school's class of '98, received a letter for participation on the varsity girls soccer team "This season Lynne has been an integral member of the team and is to be applauded for this achievement," a spokeswoman for the school said.

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Doherty student publishes poem

Elizabeth M. Magner of 5 Tanglewood Way-North, has had her poem, "List of Twelve-Crystal" published in Chambers of Time, a treasury of today's poetry compiled by the National Library of Poetry. The subject of the poem is crystals.

The seventh-grader at Doherty Middle School has been writing for four years. Her favorite subjects and ideas are mysteries and holiday seasons.



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RELIGION NEWS

West Parish Church presents 21st annual Christmas Pageant on Sunday, Dec. 21

Andover residents Lisa and John Tonneson and their daughter, Stephanie, will play the parts of Mary, Joseph and Baby Jesus at the 21st annual outdoor Christmas pageant of West Parish Church this Sunday Dec. 21, at 5 p.m. The West Parish Cemetery Arch will become the entrance to Bethlehem for the reenactment with a cast of more than 50 children and adults, a menagerie of animals.

This Andover tradition recreates the shepherds and wise men, young and old, littlest angel and drummer boy all finding their way to the inn. Through drama, narration and carols, the audience shares in the miracle as Mary and Joseph arrive in Bethlehem, the shepherds seek out the manger, and the wise men bring their gifts.

Pam Dietz directs this year's production and Eunice Kim directs the choir. More than 100 members of West Parish Church will participate in the production in the cast and back stage in costuming, makeup, set creation, sound and lighting. West Parish Church choir will lead the audience in carols throughout the

narration and live animals join in the procession with Mary riding on a donkey and shepherds herding their sheep.

The public is invited to the pageant and festivities immediately afterwards in Fellowship Hall. Refreshments will be served.

West Parish Church is located at 129 Reservation Road. For more information, call the church between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. at 475-3528.

Christmas Sunday at Unitarian Universalist Congregation

"To Be Born Once More" will be the Christmas Sunday sermon theme by the Rev. Peter T. Richardson, at 10:30 a.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6 Locke St. in downtown Andover. The Junior and Senior Choirs will sing special music.

A Christmas Eve candlelight service will begin at 7 p.m. Dec. 24 at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation. Each participant is invited to bring with them a candle for the center table. It will be a service of carols and readings for all ages with special anthems by the Senior Choir. All are welcome.

Franciscan Center to hold three retreats

The Franciscan Center on River Road will offer three January retreats to focus on slowing down, listening, reflecting and celebrating God's love.

Enter the New Year with prayer and celebration Dec. 31-Jan. 1. A time for private prayer and reflection or participation in the Centering Prayer Group experience will be offered from 4 p.m. to 10 a.m. Overnight cost of \$50 includes dinner and brunch.

Living in Joyful Hope will be held Jan. 16-18 for those interested in how the power of hope can shape lives for the better and deepen faith and trust. Cost is \$95.

A Charismatic Retreat: Being Formed in the Image of God will be held Jan. 23-25. Everyone is being formed by something and needs to ask who and what is forming us. Cost is \$95.

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SSDS Hanukkah party Saturday, Dec. 20

The Solomon Schechter Day School of the Merrimack Valley invites the community to its annual

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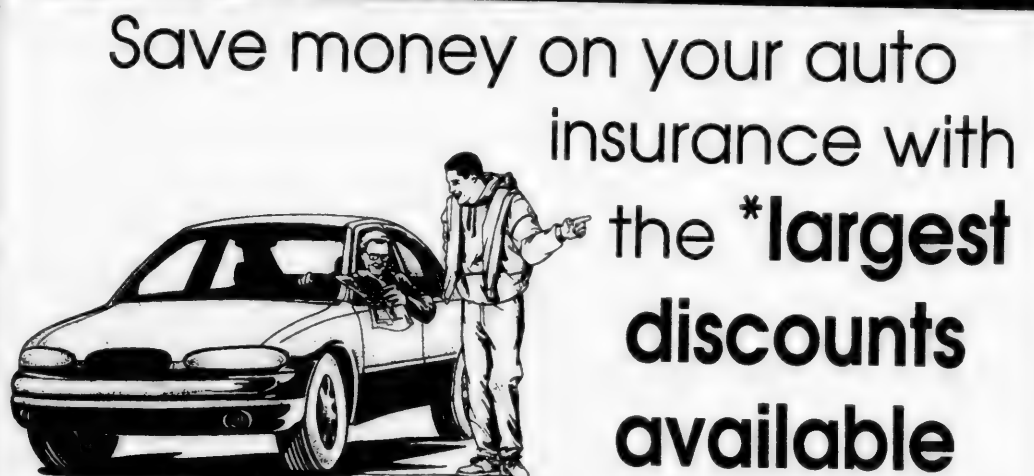
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EVENTS

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Companions, through Jan. 25, wheelchair accessible, Tuesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday noon-4 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 13, noon lunch with artist, 256 Market St., Lowell; (978) 459-7819.

McQuade Library Art Gallery, exhibit of motion paintings by Russian-born artist Alex Kanevsky, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday, 1-5 p.m., Merrimack College, junction of Routes 114 and 125, North Andover; 837-5000.

Theatre

His Majesty's Feast, interactive medieval dinner theatre, Grill 93, River Road at Route 93, Saturdays 8 p.m., \$35 per person includes dinner show, tax and gratuity; 687-2442.

The New Orleans Jazz Band, Wednesday nights, Deco Boston Dinner Theatre, 5 Sylvan Road, Woburn, dancing, light dinner or buffet; (617) 932-9988.

Cinderella in December, a comical farce of the fairytale, presented by Theater in the Open, Dec. 18-Jan. 4, Thursday-Saturday, 8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 3 p.m., \$13 adults, \$11 children and seniors, The Firehouse Center, Market Square, New-

buryport; (978) 462-7336. **Great American Holiday Musical**, through Dec. 21, Thursday-Saturday, 6:15 dinner, 8:30 p.m. show; Sunday dinner noon, 2 p.m. show, \$17.95-\$24.95, show only available, senior discounts Thursdays and Sundays; student discount Thursdays; children under 12 discount Sundays, reservations

required, Giordano's Starlite Dinner Theatre, Route 97, Georgetown; (978) 352-7300 or Mass. only (800) 287-PLAY.

Meetings/Activities **Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI)** meets every third Thursday of the month, 7 p.m., United Methodist Church, North

Andover; 475-0875.

Al-Anon meets Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., St. William's Church basement, Main Street, Tewksbury; Dottie (978) 851-7655.

Adult Learning Center, 243 South Broadway, Lawrence, offers free citizenship classes Monday and Wednesday, 12:30-3:30 p.m.; Karen Sheridan 975-

5917.

Andover Great Books Group, meets second and fourth Tuesdays, discusses book of the week, activity room, Memorial Hall Library, 7:30-9 p.m.; Jean McGreehan 667-9610.

Andover Choral Society, all voice parts are welcome to join, auditions are not required,

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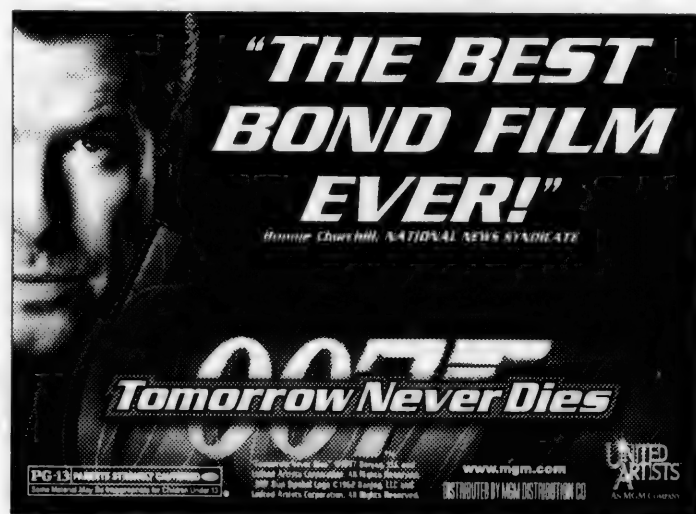
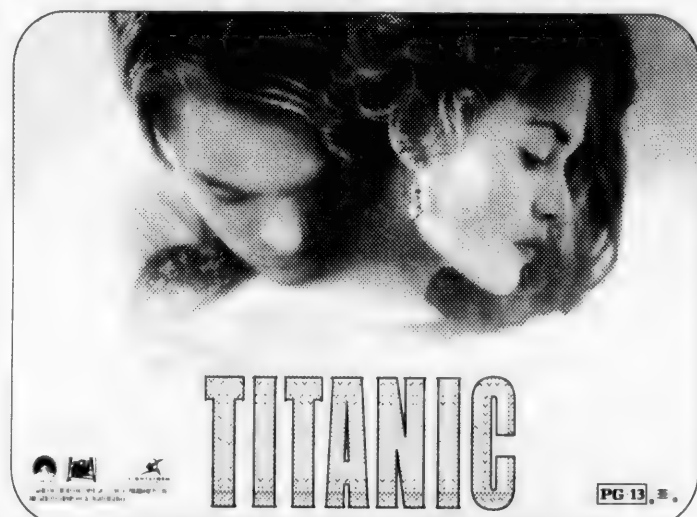
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rehearsals are held Monday evening, 7:20 p.m., Christ Church, Central Street; Christy Puntoni 470-8747.

Caregivers support group, sponsored by Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley, first and third Tuesday of each month, 10-11 a.m., 360 Merrimack Street, Building 5, Lawrence; Chris Costello 683-7747, Ext. 423.

Newcomers Club of Andover, social club for residents of Andover and North Andover, variety of activities, membership open to new and established residents; Linda Ianelli 686-

2263 or Linda Latta 975-8767.

Safe Place, a support group for those who have lost a loved one through suicide, second and fourth Tuesday of every month, 7:30-9:30 p.m., St. Robert Bellarmine Church, Parish Rectory House; Samaritans of Merrimack Valley 688-0030.

North Shore Chorus rehearsals, women over 18 who enjoy singing and performing, can "carry a tune," have good sense of humor, 7:30 p.m., Lutheran Church, 280 Broadway, Wyoma Square, Lynn; Pat Fitzgerald (617) 324-1484.

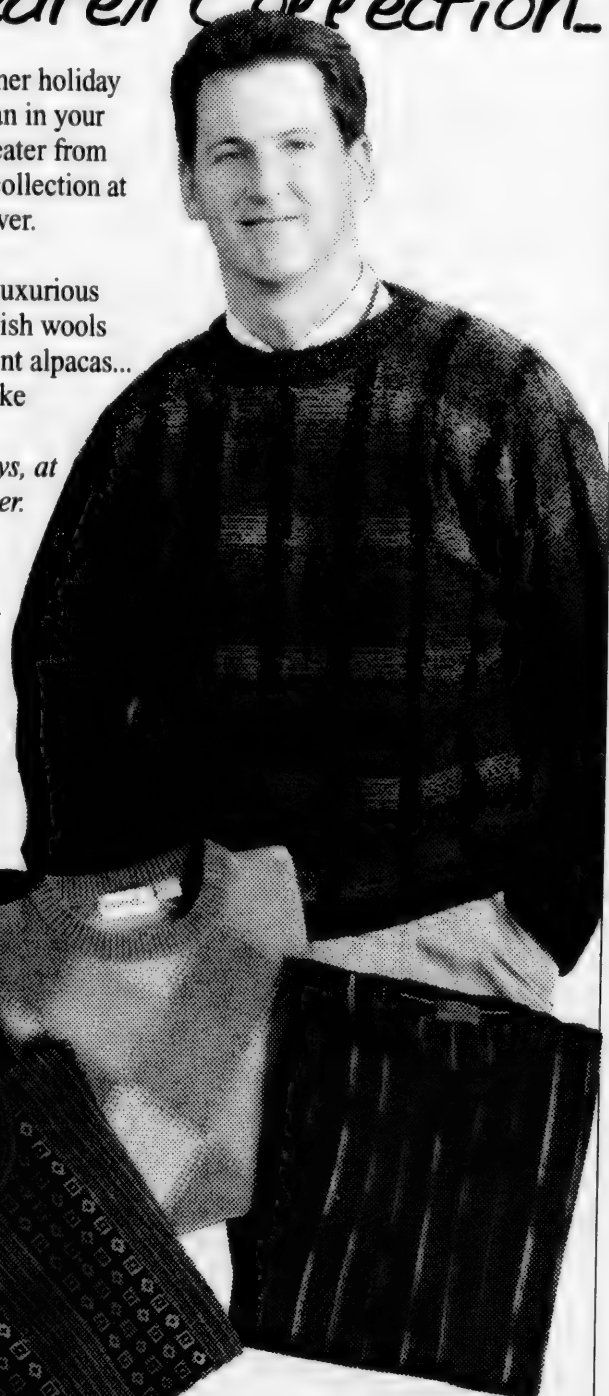
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MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY NEWS

By Norma Gammon

Memorial Hall Library will be open the following hours over the holidays:

Wednesday, Dec. 24, 9 a.m.-noon.

Thursday, Dec. 25, closed.

Friday, Dec. 26, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 27, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 28, 2-5 p.m.

Monday-Tuesday, Dec. 29-30, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 31, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 1, closed.

The library's regular schedule will resume Jan. 2.

Cultural events

The Royal Victorian Opera Company will visit Memorial Hall Library Sunday, Jan. 4, at 3 p.m. The group will present a program of selections from the Gilbert and Sullivan operas (including *Pinafore*, *Pirates*, *Iolanthe*, and *Mikado*), and two numbers from Dorothy, one of the most successful comic operas of the 19th century. One feature of the afternoon will be a fully staged version of the Robin-Rose-Richard triangle from the first act of *Ruddigore*.

Judy Bernstein will present "Hail To The Ladies," a tribute to America's first ladies from Martha to Hillary, Jan. 21 at 10 a.m.

She works from diaries and letters as much from history books to tell tales of several of the country's first ladies.

Great Books Discussion

Jan. 13, 7:30 p.m.
Song of Solomon, Toni Morrison.

Jan. 27, 7:30 p.m.
Momik, David Grossman.

Morning Book Discussion: Jan. 26, 10 a.m., *The Deep End Of The Ocean*, Jacquelyn Mitchard.

Library artist of the month

Artist of the month is Lorraine O'Brien of Stoneham. Her exhibit will include watercolor and pen and ink drawings.

Friends book sale

The Friends of

Memorial Hall Library will hold their annual January fiction sale Jan. 23-25 during regular library hours.

This has been a banner year for book donations, so come in and stock-up for winter reading.

New staff members

We welcome the first of three new reference librarians, Bethany Hinton, who joined the staff in November. Bethany did her undergraduate work at Emerson College in Boston and is returning to New England after

completing her master's degree in library science at the University of North Carolina. While in North Carolina, she worked in branches of the Forsyth County Public Library. With a specialty in public relations, Bethany will be part



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Bethany is generally at the reference desk working with the public, or on the floor loading CD-ROM updates. If you would like to meet her, just ask one of the "reference regulars" to introduce you.

Dictionary of Art

The Dictionary of Art, edited by Jane Turner and published by Macmillan in 1996,

is a recent major library purchase. A sister publication to the New Grove *Dictionary of Music and Musicians*, *The Dictionary of Art* is composed of 25 million words in 45,000 entries by 6,700 scholars over a period of 12 years. Coverage of the arts includes architecture, photography, and the "decorative arts" as well as the more traditional "fine

arts." Contemporary art forms such as performance art and multimedia installations are also included. The only visual form deliberately excluded is the history of film. *The Dictionary* offers many different types of articles to accommodate the wide range of interests of modern students and historians of art. The length of articles

ranges from a few lines to hundreds of pages. The article on Chinese Art, the longest in the set, could stand alone as a book on its own. The set also follows the recent trend away from basing art history primarily on stylistic analysis and, instead, pays greater attention to forms,

themes, and subject-matter.

The reader will find articles on such topics as bed, book, carpet, garden, marine painting, photography, portraiture, and steel.

The book is in the Reference Collection at R703Dic1996, or ask a reference librarian to show you its location.

Music of Hanukkah at Temple Emanuel

The music of Hanukkah will be performed at Temple Emanuel Friday, Dec. 19, as part of the Shabbat evening service, which begins at 8:15. Cantor Donn Rosensweig and the adult and children's choirs will present a program of holiday music accompanied by choir direc-

tor Joyce Painter Rice on the organ and piano and Cantor Rosensweig on guitar. Contemporary Hanukkah music and music of the 18th and 19th centuries will be performed.

Refreshments will be served at the Oneg Shabbat following services. All are welcome.

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OBITUARIES

Evelyn A. Ward Lifelong Andover resident attended Andover Baptist

Evelyn A. (Herbert) Ward, 87, formerly of Summer Street, died Saturday, Dec. 13, at Academy Manor.

Mrs. Ward had lived in Andover all her life.

She worked at the former Abbott Academy and Shawsheen Laundry and retired from A.B. Sutherland Co. in Andover.

Mrs. Ward was a member of Andover Baptist Church and its Friendly Group.

Members of her family include her sisters, Alice Johnson of Andover and Edith Swanson of Lawrence; and several nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

She was the widow of Everett T. Ward.

Funeral services at Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home on Tuesday were followed by burial in Riverside Cemetery in North Reading.

Memorial contributions may be made to Andover Baptist Church, 7 Central St., Andover, 01810; or to Merrimack Valley Hospice, 1 Union St., Andover, 01810.

Lillian A. Corbett Longtime waitress moved to Andover 11 years ago

Lillian A. (Masiello) Corbett, 90, of Andover, died Sunday, Dec. 14, at Wingate at Andover.

Mrs. Corbett was born and educated in Everett. She raised her family in

Medford and had lived in North Reading for 12 years before she moved to Andover 11 years ago.

She was a waitress for many years, including for W.T. Grant and Woolworth Department stores in Stoneham.

Mrs. Corbett was a member of St. Theresa Church in North Reading and of St. Augustine Parish.

Members of her family include her daughters, Dorothy L. Hartery of North Reading, Marion P. Almquist of Stoneham and Alice D. Duddy of Andover and her husband, George W. Duddy; brothers, Robert Masiello of West Yarmouth, Louis Masiello of Beverly and Anthony Marcella of Malden; 11 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

She was the widow of Harry C. Corbett.

Calling hours were scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 17, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Croswell Funeral Home, 19 Bow St., North Reading.

The funeral will be held at 9 a.m. today, Thursday, Dec. 18, from the funeral home. A Mass will be said at 10 a.m. in St. Theresa Church. Burial will be in Puritan Lawn Memorial Park Cemetery in West Peabody.

George Thom Senior executive with DuPont lived here before he moved to Delaware

George Thom, 85, of Hockessin, Del., died Thursday, Dec. 11, at Cokesbury Village Health Center.

Mr. Thom was born in Lawrence and educated at Phillips Academy

Mary H. Allain, 70
Saverio J. Campione, 83
Bertha Citron, 86
Lillian A. Corbett, 90
Helen V. Kaslow, 91
Fernande Lacroix, 86
Michael T. Scannell, 34
George Thom, 85
Evelyn A. Ward, 87

and Suffolk Law School.

He had lived in Andover before he moved to Delaware.

Mr. Thom was a senior executive with the DuPont Co. of Delaware for many years until he retired in 1974.

Members of his family include his wife of 57 year, Margaret (Parslow) Thom of Hockessin, Del.; sisters, Helen Dumbville of Hyde Park, N.Y., and Mildred McMahon of Andover; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at a later time.

Arrangements were by John Breen Memorial Funeral Home Inc. in Lawrence.

Community Chorale looking ahead to '98, resident says

Following the success of its fall and Christmas programs, the members of North Reading Community Chorale learned that director David Anthony will step down as their leader. The Chorale's board of directors has begun a search for a music director to work with their accompanist and the chorus, beginning in January.

Al Holmes of Highland Road, president of the chorale, said that the group's members come from North Shore communities surrounding North Reading, including Andover.

"They are a hard-working group of singers who enjoy the pleasures of making a good song sound even better. The NRCC is a non-profit organization and performs on special occasions for organizations, such as Christian Community Service and Historical Society of North Reading. They also hold a concert at Christmas, and a spring show, to help defray expenses. The chorale is available to sing for private functions."

For more information about the regional group, call 664-3594, or fax an inquiry or a resume to 665-9461.

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Deaths Elsewhere

ALLAIN - Mary H. Allain, 70, of Windham, N.H., died Monday, Dec. 15, at the Salemhaven Nursing Home. Born in Lawrence, she attended St. Augustine School in Andover and later lived in Methuen and Florida.

CAMPIONE - Saverio J. (Campi) Campione, 83, formerly of North Andover and Pompano Beach, Fla., died Monday, Dec. 15, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Members of his family include his daughter and son-in-law, Carole-Jean and Francis Donahue of Andover.

CITRON - Bertha Citron, 86, of North Andover died Wednesday, Dec. 10, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Members of her family include her son, Roger B. Citron of Andover.

KASLOW - Helen V. Kaslow, 91, of North Andover died Monday, Dec. 15, at Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center in Methuen.

Members of her family include her son and daughter-in-law, John and Barbara J. Kaslow of Andover.

LACROIX - Fernande (Roy) Lacroix, 86, of Lawrence died Tuesday, Dec. 9, at home.

Members of her family include her son and daughter-in-law, Roger and Annette Lacroix of Andover.

SCANNELL - Michael Terrance Scannell, 34, of Lawrence died Wednesday, Dec. 10, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Members of his family include his sons, Michael T. Scannell Jr. and Ryan Scannell, both of Andover.

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members of people who are HIV positive or have AIDS, twice monthly; 470-2626.

The Greater Lawrence Alliance for the Mentally Ill (AMI), meets every third Thursday, First United Methodist Church, 57 Peters St., North Andover, 7-9 p.m., 475-0875.

Amnesty International, Merrimack Valley Chapter; meets second Monday of the month,

McQuade Library, Merrimack College, 7:30 p.m.; Leslie 475-6960.

Separated and divorced ministry meeting, support group meets every Monday, 7:30 p.m., Parish Center, 1 St. Augustine Drive, all are welcome; Chuck 685-7238, or Klara 475-7358.

Greater Lawrence Camera Club, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, 72 Elm St., North Andover; Faith Morgida 687-2377 or Richard Morton 664-3140.

Nicotine Anonymous, meets

weekly, Faith Lutheran Church, 360 S. Main St., 7:15-8:30 p.m.; 475-0183.

Coalition for the Preservation of Fatherhood, Merrimack Valley chapter, Senior Citizens Center, 10 Welcome St., Haverhill, meets second and fourth Tuesdays each month, 7 p.m.; Alan Finger (978) 372-2648.

Country-western dancing, Moose Lodge, North Street, North Reading, Fridays, 7:30 p.m.-midnight, couples and line-dance lessons, \$5 donation; Ken 772-2195, or 664-2721.

Divorce/separation recovery support group, sponsored by Free Christian Church and Willowdale Center for Psychological Services, 7-9 p.m., \$20 meeting, \$40 registration fee, Free Christian Church, 31 Elm St.; 475-0700.

Folk dance, Skirts and Flirts Square Dance Club, weekly Thursday classes, 7:30 p.m., Shawsheen Elementary School, Shawsheen Avenue, Wilmington; 658-8583 or 658-3480.

Israeli folk dancing, Sunday lessons, 7 p.m., Temple Emanuel, \$3; Orit Goldstein 475-3133 or 688-0466.

Lowell Opera Company rehearsals Mondays, 7:30 p.m., new members welcome, auditions not required, First United Baptist Church, Church Street, Lowell; Vita Selvaggio (978) 453-3610.

The Merrimacks 978 Toastmasters Club public-speaking skills meetings, second and fourth Mondays of month, guests welcome, Prescott House Nursing Home, North Andover, 7-9 p.m.; Pat Meredith 681-8014.

Merrimack Valley Camera Club, meets every Wednesday, 7:15 p.m., visitors welcome, Trinitarian Con-

gregational Church, Elm Street, North Andover; Sarah Musumeci 688-1116.

Merrimack Valley Chapter of Embroiders Guild, third Tuesday of the month; Lee Oullette 458-6183 or Jane McCord 942-1349.

Newburyport Civil War Roundtable, meets first Monday each month, Ten Center Street Restaurant, 10 Center St., Newburyport, 7:30 p.m., Victoria Ladd 373-1723 or Kevin Brightney 465-2215.

Mother of Twins Club, meets monthly in Saugus; Allene Crusco (617) 245-3556 or Katie Monahan 664-4545.

Nicotine Anonymous, a support group to help you stop the nicotine habit, meets every Wednesday evening, 7-8 p.m., Faith Lutheran Church, 360 South Main St.; Judy Kaplan 470-0967.

North Reading Community Chorale invites anyone who enjoys singing to join their rehearsals Mondays at 7:30 p.m., at Hood School, Haverhill Street, North Reading; (978) 664-3594.

Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, Merrimack Valley Chapter holds monthly meetings, North Parish Church, 190 Academy Road, North Andover.

Psoriasis support group, sponsored by National Psoriasis Foundation, meets the first Wednesday of each month, 7-9 p.m., Heritage at North Andover, 700 Chickering Road, North Andover; Patricia Wood 475-2774.

Reading arthritis support and education group, meets first Wednesday of the month, 1-2:30 p.m.; at the Center, 49 Pleasant St.,

Reading; Judy Burgess (617) 944-0653, Reading Elder Services (617) 942-9056 or Arthritis Foundation, 1-800-766-9449.

Square-dancing, teens, couples, and singles, Mondays, Amvets Hall, Primrose Street, Haverhill, 8 p.m.; Jeanne (617) 279-4328 or Eddie 774-7266.

Bridge game and lessons, Wednesdays, 7:15 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Church, 6 Locke St.; (603) 382-0123 J. J. Zamierowski.

Parents without Partners Minuteman Chapter 817, newcomers orientation meeting, second and fourth Tuesdays of month, St. Margaret's Parish Hall, 111 Winn St., Burlington, 7:30 p.m.; (978) 667-6834.

Parents Anonymous, meets weekly in Haverhill, Lowell, and Lawrence, no fees or dues; 1-800-882-1250.

Pre-Alateen meetings for ages 6-12 held Thursdays, 6:30 p.m., Pines of Tewksbury, 2580 Main St. Tewksbury; Dottie (978) 851-7655.

The Single Life Reading chapter, open to singles over age 21, Andover meetings; Nigel 794-4427.

Widowed Persons Service, an all-volunteers organization co-sponsored by American Association of Retired Persons, seeking men and women of all ages who have been widowed at least 18 months for its training program; Lori Maguire 475-5556.

Young Widows and Widowers weekly bereavement support, Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m., A "moving on" group for longer widowed persons, second and fourth Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m., Marland Place, 15 Stevens St.; Francine Fuller 475-8186.



◀ **Jacqueline Mimno**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael F. Mimno of Andover, has been chosen for the third consecutive year to perform in Boston Ballet's production of *The Nutcracker* at the Wang Theater in Boston. She will dance the role of a soldier. Jacqueline has been a student of the Boston Ballet School for four years. She previously attended the Andover School of Ballet for four years. She studies piano and is a fourth-grade student at Pike School.



◀ **Dance Images Dance Center** students involved in *The Nutcracker* to be performed by Dance Prism Saturday, Dec. 20, and Sunday, Dec. 21, at West Middle School, from left (front row): Julie Ireson, Alexa Carrasco, Jenny Reynoso, Danni Ventre; (back row) Erika Steele, Kelly Thomas and Hannah Wells.



In the Dance Prism's 1997 production of *The Nutcracker*, Sarah Maltzman of Andover plays an angel (second row, right center) and a mouse.

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Is it birds vs. hay?

Meadow mowing splits preservationists

By Rebecca Lipchitz

An AVIS (Andover Village Improvement Society) member with a love of birds and a local farmer with a love of horses are at odds over the care of the meadow at West Parish Church — more than 10 acres of AVIS conservation land.

Patty Brayden, an AVIS member, says she has seen bobolinks, or small grassland birds that migrate from South America to northern fields each year, nesting in the meadow.

Bobolinks nest in fields of tall grasses, but not too near the edge of wooded areas or the center of fields where they are most vulnerable to predators, Brayden says (see *Letters*, page 40).

AVIS, a local conservation group, is entrusted with keeping the field free of trees, and therefore must mow it every year, says its president, Nat Smith.

It is how many times and when the field should be mowed that now has AVIS members in something of a contentious split.

By a longstanding verbal agreement, the hay that grows in meadow is granted to a local horse farmer, Kenneth Chlebowsky, who mows the land at no charge to AVIS.

Smith says farmers who use hay for livestock feed need the first cutting of hay from the field because it is the most nutritious as feed. But cutting the field in early spring destroys bobolink nests.

According to Brayden, an AVIS

member but not a trustee, the dilemma has shaken the AVIS board of trustees like no issue the group has faced in recent years.

One member, who declined to speak for the record, agrees. "We're all in this for the same reason," the member says, "but from looking at this issue, you'd never know it."

Brayden says the board voted last year to delay mowing the field until August, but that Chlebowsky went ahead and mowed it in May anyway.

"I've been told that not mowing is a pro-bird stance. This is not a people vs. bird question," Brayden says.

Contacted by the *Townsmen* Monday, Chlebowsky declined to comment for the record.

By early January, Smith expects the board to establish a conserva-



Birds vs. tractors? According to advocates for the bobolink, it doesn't have to be that way. But advocates for mowing a meadow twice a year, say the hay from the spring mowing is better for horses.

tion policy that somehow protects bobolinks. "There is no question we will establish a bobolink sanctuary in this meadow," he says.

But the question that remains is

when and where to mow if any mowing is to be done. The AVIS board of trustees is considering options, including replanting the field with another kind of grass, mowing a portion of the field, or paying another farmer to mow the hay in August, Smith says.

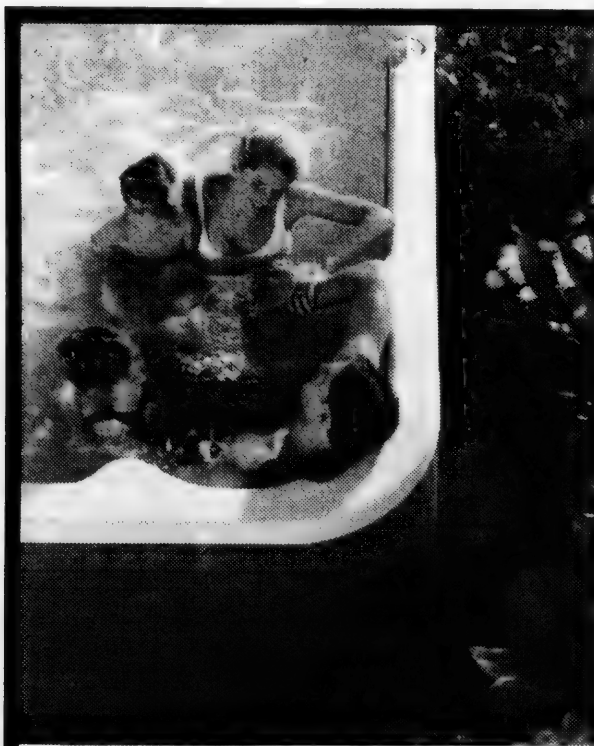
Planting warm weather grasses that were once indigenous to the area would be useful for bobolinks and farmers, Smith said, because they mature later. A farmer could wait until August to cut the hay after bobolinks have hatched, and the hay would still be useful for livestock feed, Smith says, but adds that the drawback is the labor-intensive process of reseeding the field.

Brayden says that to mow a portion of the field leaves the birds less space for nesting, and makes them more vulnerable to predators. Bobolinks, she says, are known to return to the same fields each year.

But to have the field mowed in August when the hay is drier and good for roadside mulch or stopping erosion could cost AVIS thousands of dollars, Smith says.

Leaving the field left unmowed would also preserve a home in Andover for many butterflies, and possibly pheasants that were once seen in that meadow, according to some AVIS members.

Whatever they decide, Smith says, the priority has to be coming up with a simple plan that AVIS can maintain with little money and staff.



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For her, the memory lanes keep on rolling

By Neil Fater

Like many long-time Andover residents, Tina Munger felt a loss when workers began tearing down the Park Street building many still refer to only as "the old bowling alley site."

"I would love to have seen it rebuilt as a recreation center for the youth in this town," says Munger, uttering a common Andover lament. "I have three boys."

While Munger's two youngest boys never had the chance to bowl at the Park Street alleys, her 20-year-old son Lee began gunning for spares there when he was just a few years old. Her younger sons, Paul, 10, and Chris, 9, probably would have followed in Lee's footsteps had the alley survived. After all, both still have their birthday parties in bowling alleys.

But it wasn't this love of bowling that made the Lowell Street resident surprised when she wasn't contacted regarding a recent article on people's Park Street bowling alley memories. ("A roll down memory lanes," *Townsmen*, Nov. 13.)

She was surprised because it was her grandfather, James Ross, who brought the alley to Park Street in the first place.

With the Mungers, bowling's not only in their blood, it's in their family tree.

The Mungers have a forest worth of newspaper clippings to prove it. Two years ago, while cleaning out a basement, Lee Munger discovered a wealth of old photographs and scrapbooks detailing both his great-grandfather's bowling career and bowling alleys.

These clippings showed that he and his great-grandfather, James Ross, had something in common. Both strapped on their bowling shoes at a young age, or at least at an age that was considered young for their respective times.

Newspaper clippings say James Ross needed his parents' written permission to enter his first bowling alley in 1908 — at the age of 16.

Other Andover residents still remember James Ross well, says Tina Munger, who heard about him while she was growing up in town.

"I remember as a kid, adults coming up and saying, 'I used to set pins for your grandfather,' because back then they didn't have machines to set them," she says.

Ross and Hardy

Pin-setting machines didn't come to the Park Street bowling alley until 1956, 40 years after James Ross entered the pin-setting business himself.

He formed a partnership in 1916 with fellow Andover resident Roy Hardy, and that year the two men operated a four-lane bowling alley on Essex Street, Andover.

It was this alley that was eventually moved to Park Street in



Bowling in the blood — Descendants of James Ross, co-founder of the Andover bowling alley, show off some of their piles of memorabilia. From left are Tina Munger, son Chris, mother Christine Ross Jones, and sons Paul and Lee.



High rollers — James Ross, (seated, center) co-founder of the Andover bowling alley, led his team to the Merrimack Valley championship in 1913-14.



Jazzman — The great Duke Ellington played a Hardy and Ross dance hall, and autographed this photo for Christine Ross, Tina Munger's mother.



Dance, dance, dance — The dance floor at one of the old Hardy and Ross establishments was the place to be during an era when the Depression made life difficult, but people found a way to have fun anyway.

1939, where it became a staple of the downtown district for half a century.

After entering the business, James Ross appeared to quickly establish himself as both a superior bowler and a generous businessman, according to newspaper reports. He was known for giving cigars to those in the press he felt were fair, and when former employees in the armed services came home on furlough he would hook them up with cartons of cigarettes.

In later years, he wrote a Merrimack Valley Bowling Notes column at a time when bowling coverage regularly garnered a full page or more in the daily sports section. His column talked about the history of the sport, detailed recent bowling action and gave bowling advice.

But one thing Ross apparently wouldn't give was a break to his bowling opponents. He was ranked fourth in the nation in duckpin bowling in 1929 — the only Massachusetts man in the top 10.

Growing business

That same year, Ross and Hardy opened the Lawrence Recreation Center, a \$150,000 building complete with bowling alleys, a billiard parlor and a dance hall. It opened in September, 1929, with 20 alleys and seven tables. Lawrence's mayor and two aldermen christened the alleys by bowling the first string. Alderman Peter Carr started things on a less than glorious note by promptly depositing the first ball in the gutter. The mayor then followed with a gutter ball of his own.

A year or so later, Hardy and Ross purchased Shawsheen property near the current soccer fields and established a dance hall and bowling alley there, too, says Tina Munger.

It was at such dance halls Ross' young daughter, Christine Ross (later Christine Ross Jones, Tina Munger's mother), met several jazz luminaries and acquired autographed photographs signed to her. She still has a "Hi-di-ho"-highlighted photo from Cab Calloway, and "Best wishes" beauties from the likes of Duke Ellington, Tommy Dorsey and Benny Goodman.

Although a huge 1941 fire destroyed the Lawrence Recreation Center, it was later rebuilt by Ross and Hardy to "the joys of bowlers," according to one article.

In 1959, one writer called the Lawrence Rec, with its 60 alleys, the third-largest bowling business in nation. But neither of its founders lived to see that article.

Tina Munger's grandfather James Ross died in 1949, and his share of the business went to his wife, Mary MacGregor Ross, and his daughter, Christine Ross Jones.

Roy Hardy ran their Lawrence and Andover establishments as general manager until his death in

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Neighbors: put the brakes on Route 125

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suggested that the highway's speed limit needs to be lowered and its no-passing areas expanded.

Some also want the state, already installing lights at Gould Road and considering lights at Salem Street, Vine Street and Prospect Road, to take another look at Wildwood Road. The state only considers the volume of traffic and the number of accidents at an intersection, and some residents said they believe the severity of accidents at an intersection should be considered.

After listening to the comments, Sullivan promised action.

Within 30 days, Route 125 will have a uniform speed limit, and within 60 days officials will determine where they can paint new no-passing zones, he said.

But Sullivan warned that installing traffic lights would bring some unwelcome consequences to the area as well. He warned people that lights and other changes would not be a "magic wand" that would make all of Route 125's dangerous rabbits disappear.

"We need to know all the effects before we go full tilt," he said.

The state plans to look at the whole highway, and at the effect more lights can have on backing up traffic and causing overflow onto Interstate 93, Route 28 and the smaller suburban roads that feed into Route 125.

"I take that roadway. I'm very familiar with it," said Sullivan. "We will go forward with additional signals around the 125 corridor. It will not be, however, an answer to all our prayers. It will change the characteristics of that highway."

State Police Major Stephen Leary said lights will increase people's daily commuting time, and will add noise and pollution at the intersections as cars start and stop.

"It's going to be frustrating, it's going to be time consuming, but it's going to be safer at the same time," said Leary.

Road stories

"Safer" was the watchword people wanted Sullivan to hear Monday night.

Sullivan attended the meeting because state Rep. Barry Finegold and Sen. John O'Brien had hounded his office with phone calls, he said.

Because so many people complained they were left out of the loop on the recent construction near Phillips Academy, Finegold said he wanted to make sure people had a say with the work on Route 125.

He got an earful of it Monday night.

People got the meeting started with rhythmic clapping, and for an hour and a half there was always a minimum of seven people waiting to speak.

Neighbors of Route 125 said they know to keep blankets ready so they can comfort those hurt in a crash.

"We sit and have dinner and we hear this tremendous crash repeatedly," said Audrey Cole, of Sagamore Drive. "We've watched people die

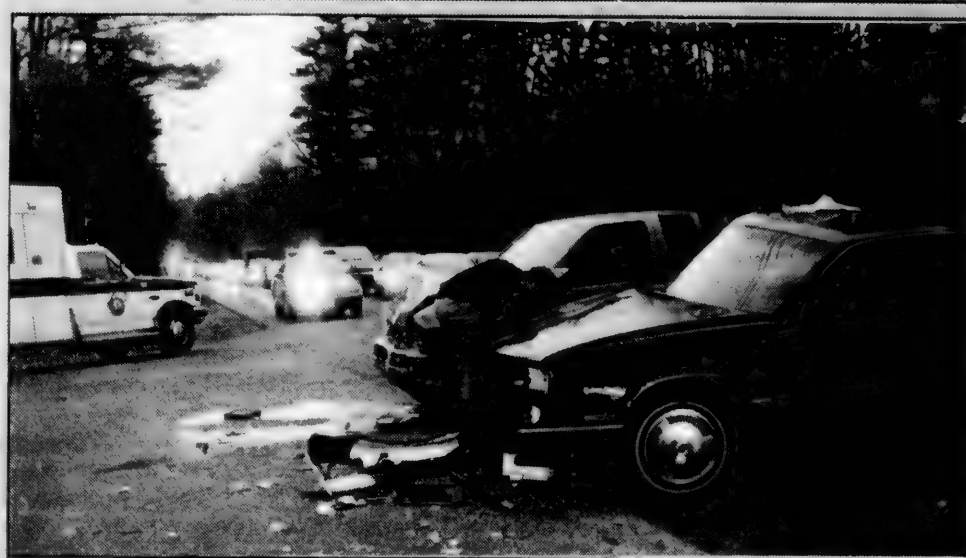


Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Another one — This accident at Route 125 and Wildwood Road last Friday was just one more piece of evidence for area residents who want better speed enforcement and more traffic lights.

State police to take 3-D look at 125

While some Andover residents clamor for more police presence to control speed on Route 125, state police say they're already taking a special look at the area. They've assigned their 3-D team to it.

The three Ds in "3-D" stand for drunk, drugged and dangerous — the three types of drivers state police are looking to pull off the highways with this program.

Using a special team of unmarked cars, state police 3-D members videotape drivers causing peril on the highways. A regular cruiser then pulls the drivers over. Faced with a videotape of their actions, dangerous drivers tend not to bother taking their cases to court, say state police officers.

Police believe this new approach can help get people onto Route 125 more safely, by taking reckless drivers off the road.

"Driving a car out of a neighborhood shouldn't be a game of Russian roulette," says Major Stephen Leary, state police troop commander. "People are sick and tired of it. They're sick of being intimidated."

For the most part, the 3-D team has worked on larger highways to ticket drivers dangerously weaving in and out of traffic, says Leary. On Route 125, Leary says he expects state police to target speeders and tailgaters.

The program has received a good deal of attention, and a BBC press team is soon coming from England for three days to cover it.

But while the 3-D approach is new, local troopers have been well aware of the safety problems on Route 125 for some time. Although there is a state police barracks on Route 125, people continue to speed on most of the two-lane highway.

"I know how bad the road is. I've lived



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Unhurt, but unhappy — Edward J. Ganem and son Harrison, among those involved in a three-car accident on Route 125, were unhurt, but shaken by the incident. Harrison was also unhappy that he'd have to miss his friend's birthday party. State police gave him a few "Junior Patrol" stickers to cheer him up.

here all my life. It's just getting worse and worse and worse," says Jim Deyermund, an Andover resident and state police officer.

Deyermund indicates that conventional speed traps have not met with much success on Route 125.

"It's a tough road to work on," he says. "People flash their headlights to warn oncoming cars."

At Monday's meeting several residents praised police for their swift response to numerous accidents. But many also called on officials to find a way to slow down cars, perhaps by changing the speed limits.

After the meeting, Roberta Shupe, of Chestnut Street, agreed someone must find a way to control speed on Route 125.

"In 30 years I've never seen a car pulled over," she says.

Based on its track record, the 3-D program should at least change that.

— Neil Fater

there. We've seen people seriously injured."

She almost became one of those people recently at the corner of Wildwood Road and Route 125, she said.

Some parents said they're concerned for the school buses that have to cross the highway.

"The speedsters coming down there qualify for the Indianapolis speedway," said Robert Zollner, of Highland Road. "If they see you, they increase their speed to intimidate you."

Like others, Zollner asked the state to consider the entire highway, and not just to look at individual intersections. Some people suggested the roadway may only need two or three lights, instead of five.

Only one person seemed to think the roadway should remain basically as it is.

David DeInnocentis, of Random Lane, a longtime truck driver, said he's seen his driving time on Route 125 increase over the years.

"You don't solve congestion problems by putting up more traffic lights," he said.

Though there were groans by some in the audience, he also seemed to put some of the blame for accidents on those who aren't paying enough attention to surroundings such as wet leaves on the roadway.

"My thought as a professional driver was if these people know the intersection is so dangerous, why aren't they more careful," he said. "To me there are two dangers on 125. One is if the Mass Highway engineers design another light like (the one at the Ballardvale Road intersection), and the second danger is deer jumping out in front of you."

DeInnocentis said he didn't believe people who claimed they could spend seven or eight minutes waiting to get onto the highway.

"I've been driving all over the country. I have never seen a rusted out hulk waiting at a traffic light with a skeleton behind the wheel," he said.

After he was done speaking, Beatrice Morreo, of Sheridan Lane said both she and her husband have "had our cars pretty well smashed up," in the area and she has waited even longer to get on the highway.

"I exit onto 125 frequently," she said. "It's always been a very difficult entry. I might sit there for maybe 15 minutes before I have the guts to gun it."

Nedra Weaver, of Stone Post Road, said her heart races every time she comes to a Route 125 intersection, because she once pulled out in front of someone who just managed to avoid hitting her.

"I relive this incident each time I go across 125," she said.

Harvey Lee, of Farrwood Drive said he suffered several broken ribs several years back because of an accident at Gould Road and Route 125, where lights will be installed this spring.

"I consider myself to be one of the fortunate ones," he said.

High *E. coli* levels probably due to sewage

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Brook. The thin brook starts up by Phillips Academy and runs through and under downtown Andover by The Park, with much of the brook contained underground.

Problems in the brook were revealed by the Merrimack River Watershed group after it conducted tests on the waterway in 1996.

Since their information was presented to the town, Andover has conducted more extensive tests. Penney says these tests have shown even higher levels at certain areas along the brook.

Penney also says that the tests reveal *E. coli* levels fluctuate substantially along the river, indicating the possibility of several areas of contamination. Penney says several things, from animal feces to sewage problems, could be responsible for the contamination.

The *E. coli* counts do dip down to normal levels as Roger's Brook approaches the Shawsheen River, says Penney.

"Nevertheless, dilution is not the solution to pollution," says Penney. "You still need to eliminate the source."

Tests will continue to find the source — or sources — of the problem, he says.

"We've known about it. We've been monitoring it for a while," says Buzz Stapczynski, town manager.

Selectmen have asked the town manager to report to them about the problem Jan. 5.

But Greg Luckman, of Florence Street, is one of those people who sug-

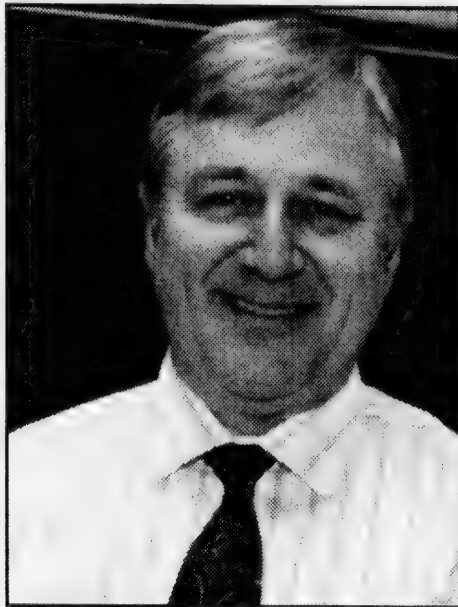


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Penney — Dilution no solution to pollution.

gests that the town might consider taking action at April Town Meeting. He believes the town should replace the old sewer pipes in this area before expanding the sewerage system into the Ballardvale and South Main Street areas.

Although this project was shot down at last year's Town Meeting, Stapczynski has said he plans to

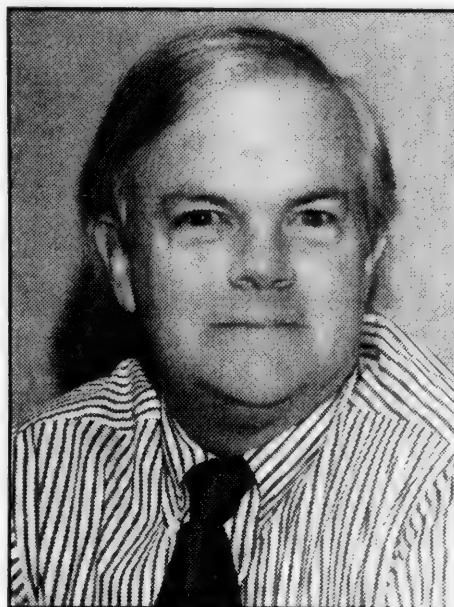


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Hess — No illness so far, but get the rates down.

'It's a problem that sneaks up on you but becomes very serious if it's not dealt with. Are (government) regulating issues going to kick in before health problems kick in? To be honest, I hope so.'

Greg Luckman

bring this project to Town Meeting again in April.

Expanding the sewer system would cost \$1.6 million next year, and \$21.5 million the following year.

Luckman notes that Stapczynski's Capital Improvement Plan has pushed back replacing sewerage in the Roger's Brook area until 2003 (at a cost of \$5.2 million).

"We seem to

have a higher priority to do the new system first," says Luckman. "The priorities really should be the opposite."

Luckman notes that the town may not have the money or be willing to spend the money to do both expensive sewer projects around the same time.

"When you come to priorities, the number one priorities are those that deal with health," he says.

Luckman wonders if the state could potentially come in and order the town to spend millions to repair the problem.

"It's a problem that sneaks up on you but becomes very serious if it's not dealt with," says Luckman. "Are (government) regulating issues going to kick in before health problems kick in? To be honest with you, I hope so."

Penney says state officials might have stepped in if Andover wasn't doing anything. But he and Bob McQuade, public works director, have put together a team of testers and are working with the state to find the source of the problem.

"DEP has all of our results. They've done some testing of their own and we have this team established," says Penney. "They're satisfied — at least those we've talked with are — with what we've done so far and our approach to solve the problem permanently."

Selectmen are waiting for more information.

"I haven't heard of any illnesses related to (the *E. coli* levels), but it shouldn't be so high," says Selectman John Hess.

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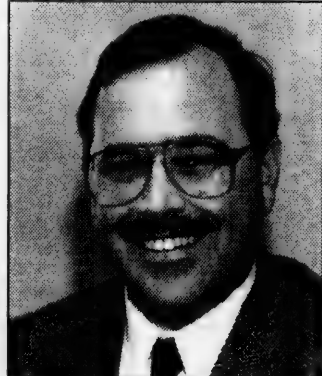
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Architect recommends site for Middle School

By Rebecca Lipchitz

In preparation for their vote on the location for a new Middle School, the architect for the project presented School Committee members with two possible locations Tuesday evening.

Architect James F. Davies of Architectural Resources Cambridge, Inc. of Cambridge recommended the smaller of two lots available to the School Department. The smaller lot, 38 acres at Cross Street and High Plain Road, had a larger percentage of buildable space.

The alternative lot is 45 acres at South Main Street and Route 125 near the Montessori School.

Both lots are already under control of the School Department, said Superintendent Richard E. Neal.

A middle school built on the larger lot at South Main would have no room to expand because only 23 acres of the lot is buildable land, mostly because of wetlands, Davies said.

And while a two-story building is easier to organize logistically for programs in grades 5-8 middle school, it would be less expensive to build a three-story building



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Neal — Go for simpler separations.

on the larger lot, Davies said.

Neal agreed that he thought it would be simpler to separate fifth and sixth graders from seventh and eighth graders in a two-story building rather than a three-story building.

The smaller lot has 36 acres of buildable space and room for playing fields and parking lots, he said.

"This is a spectacular site. An unusual find in New England," Davies said.

Both sites would require a

sewer connection that the School Committee will work out with the Department of Public Works, said Neal.

While the smaller lot could legally support an on-site sewer treatment system, Davies said Public Works Director Bob McQuade advised against that.

Committee member Eric Nadworny said he wanted to look at the population distribution of students throughout the town before voting.

The School Committee plans to vote on which site to develop at its next meeting Jan. 6.

In other business, David T. Harding, hired by the town to manage the building of the middle school, senior center and public safety buildings, was also at the meeting.

High School Principal Ellen A. Parker outlined the final two choices for September's high school schedule for School Committee members Tuesday.

While the length of classes is no longer under debate — they plan to use 82-minute block classes — the distribution of the course load over the school year is in question.

The two schedules High School administrators and faculty are considering are block schedules, one semester-based, and one offering all the classes all year.

The semester schedule or the "semester four-by-four block" would assign students three core subjects one semester and two the next plus a "directed study"

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Birds deserve preservation too**Editor, Townsman:**

The following letter was sent to AVIS trustees:

Andover is fortunate to have conservation grasslands like the West Parish Meadow as a sanctuary from development, a link to our rural past, and a high quality habitat that attracts bobolinks and other fauna and flora. However, grassland birds are threatened when the few remaining hay fields are cut so early that all the young birds are killed in the nest. The West Parish Meadow annually attracts migrating bobolinks to nest and raise their young in the springtime

grasses. Bobolinks are the longest-distance migrants of all American songbirds and travel 6,000 miles to Andover from Argentina, Brazil, and Paraguay. Unfortunately, each spring after Memorial Day, mowing of the meadow has destroyed the bobolink nests. Last year three pairs of bobolinks migrated to the West Parish Meadow. AVIS board members resolved and voted to delay mowing of the meadow until August, after the bobolinks had fledged their young. In spite of the vote, the mowing took place, the nests were destroyed, and the bobolinks fled.

AVIS, as custodian of the West Parish Meadow, has a unique opportunity to attract and foster the bobolink and grassland wildlife by delaying early

mowing. Delay of the grass mowing from June to August would permit the bobolinks to fledge their young and promote a salutary policy of attracting grassland wildlife including wildflowers and butterflies. Leaving a portion of the meadow uncut may appear to be a reasonable compromise, but in fact, the resulting field fragmentation would diminish foraging habitat and increase predation.

Like the bobolink, the issue of early mowing migrates each spring to the agenda of a concerned AVIS membership. Unfortunately, the past years have seen no change in the early mowing policy. We hope this year will be different.

Patty Brayden and John Finbury
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Don't let holidays get you down**Editor, Townsman:**

The holiday season is a time of great expectations and great stress. This stress can lead to feelings of depression ranging from the blues to suicidal thoughts and actions.

In 1994 Andover C.A.R.E.S. (Community Advocates for Resources, Education and Support) formed after a series of community forums concerning the suicides of three Andover teens. Research shows that suicide attempts among Massachusetts' youth increased from 1990 to 1993. In fact, suicide is the second leading cause of death among adolescents, the

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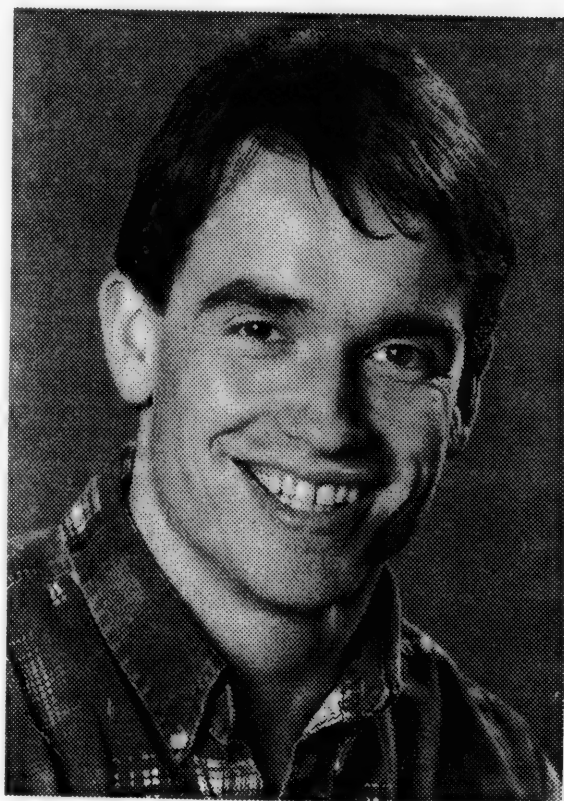
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number one being motor vehicle accidents.

Though the statistic has remained stable since 1993, the number of youths who consider/attempt suicide each year and the depression from which it stems demand serious concern. The holiday season can be stressful for families. It is important to outline the risks for suicide in adolescence and how one may get help or support for a loved one or friend about whom you may be concerned.

The following are top risk factors for suicide in our youth:

- drug and alcohol abuse;
- prior suicide attempts;
- mental illness (i.e. depression);
- antisocial behavior, history of school problems;
- family history of suicide;
- availability of firearms;
- issues regarding sexual orientation (it is estimated that one third of all completed suicides relate to concerns regarding homosexuality).

In order to reduce the risk of suicide in our community we must continue to work together. We recommend:

- full support of a youth services agency;
- appropriate gun safety and control/education;
- support the educational/prevention

programs in the schools;

- non-traditional learning environments for the non-traditional learner, (the public schools have implemented two new alternative education programs that enhance learning and increase options);

- increase staff in counseling department at the middle and high schools.

There are several things an individual can do if the holidays are getting him or her down: let trusted family members and friends know you are feeling down; go for a brisk 30-minute walk with a friend or by yourself (the endorphins released are a natural anti-depressant); call your therapist or counselor if you have one (or have a friend recommend one) and make an appointment; attend a meaningful religious service with friends or family. On an even more serious level, the following is recommended if you have immediate concerns about the safety of a friend or loved one. Call:

- Greater Lawrence Mental Health 683-3128 (24 hour, now part of Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center);
- Samaritans 688-6607 (24 hour);
- A new toll free teen hot line operated by teens for teens (servicing Merrimack Valley and Southern New Hampshire 1-888-SOS-TEEN);
- School Department 623-8500;
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Most importantly, let someone know!

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Why is traffic calming important?

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Cara Seiderman, Cambridge transportation program manager, spoke to a

full house at the library recently. She first asked, what do want our community to look and be like? We want it safe for walking and bicycling, with public spaces, human-scale stores and streets for walking.

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Newer design elements that would make our town centers more pedestrian-friendly are curb extensions and islands in wider streets. With curb extensions on the corners of streets, both pedestrians and drivers can see each other better — they shorten the distance for pedestrians to walk and they slow turning traffic.

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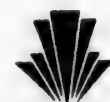
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Pedestrian signs such as "Stop for me. It's the law" and "Stop for pedestrians while turning" can also help, though too many can be confusing.

On bicycles, Seiderman said that the street is where bicycles belong. Bike lanes actually help control traffic. Where the street is wide enough for a separate bike lane, marking the lane exclusively for bikes is permitted. The use of diamond shapes, bike symbols and arrows indicates that the lane is exclusively for bikes. This can be done by any municipality and doesn't require any special governmental permit.

Standard designs for bike lanes include leaving an eight-foot lane for parking, a five- to six-foot lane for bikes and an 11-foot lane for automobiles, the marking mentioned above and dashed lines when approaching intersections. Where the lane is wide but not wide enough for a separate bike lane, striping an outside line 11

feet away from the center line of the road keeps traffic in single file and not all over the road, while giving bicyclists room to ride.

Other elements might include a special bike stop zone at traffic lights ahead of automobiles and sturdy bike racks in front of business, which can be partly paid for by businesses.

How to calm traffic?

On traffic calming, Seiderman asked, why do cars speed? The answer was because roads are wide and straight. They are designed for speed. We want streets where the speed limit is self-enforcing. Asking police to ticket speeders when the road cries for high speeds doesn't work and wastes their time. How can we slow traffic? Vertical elements, such as trees, buildings, help slow traffic by catching the driver's eye. Curb extensions help slow traffic by narrowing the traffic lane. Speed bumps, speed tables (wider, broader raised areas), small traffic circles (not the much larger rotaries) and reflective pedestrian crossings also slow traffic and help reduce accidents by 50 percent to 80 percent.

The 1996 Paulson Bill says that all roadway projects have to accommodate pedestrians and bicycles into their design, unless there are serious environmental consequences. Our task is to press our officials to move forward on these ideas and make our communities more livable.

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Taft property makes nice hike

By Marta Hornidge

With a little imagination you could be in the heart of the New Hampshire woods when you walk through the recently-purchased AVIS Taft property. A stately stand of tall spruce trees steals the sun from small undergrowth, so there is little underbrush to obstruct walking. Several streams narrow enough to leap across add variety to your journey.

Deer, fox and seasonal birds can be seen at Taft. While walking through the property recently on a blustery, gray day, the high-pitched, eerie cry of a hawk came from a distant part of the woods. Had the bird spotted lunch?

Peggy Keck, chairwoman of land acquisitions for AVIS, has worked for more than 20 years to secure this land. These 18.5 acres, added to the current contiguous Taft Reservation (30 acres) and the Coventry Lane green space (10 acres), make a magnificent 60 acres of preserved AVIS land.

Ted Taylor, warden of the entire Taft Reservation, will locate new trails to join the old ones in the original Taft piece. Boardwalks will be needed in places to cross wetlands. Chest-high weeds will be cut and passageways through low stone walls will be arranged.

A fund drive is being planned to replenish the land fund, depleted after purchasing the Taft property.



Canoe Club plaque — This granite marker sits near two stone abutments that helped support the former canoe storage house, built in 1910, along the Shawshen River.

Susan Dennett, AVIS trustee, has taken care of the installation of the Canoe Club plaque at the old Canoe Club site along the Shawshen River on Lupine Reservation. The large granite plaque is near two stone abutments that helped support the now extinct canoe storage house built in 1910.

Easy to locate, this property has a fascinating history as well as a clear view of the old stone railroad bridge spanning the river. Walkers interested in beavers can walk across the Horn Bridge and follow the Shawshen River Reservation trail toward Ballardvale to see active beaver work. Their dam, now measuring 4.5 feet, is flooding the adjacent land.

Jane Gossard and her committee are formulating plans for the annual AVIS meeting in March. Susan Lenoe will represent Alice

Buck in a program following the one used for Andover school children, taking AVIS history back to its origins more than 100 years ago.

The revised edition of the *Bay Circuit and AVIS Walks* in Andover has been selling well. This update includes any changes in trails and recent acquisition of property. The guide can be purchased at Andover Book Store and Moor and Mountain at Dundee Park. Moor and Mountain also carries other AVIS publications, maps and shirts.

AVIS membership has more

than doubled since 1990, and trails in the 22 reservations are more frequently used. During the brief Thanksgiving week when a sparse covering of snow fell, ski tracks appeared as early as 7 a.m. in Goldsmith Woodlands. There appears to be a tacit race to see who can be the first to break trail in newly-fallen snow.

This winter's snow predictions show more promise for skiers than last year's meager offering. It doesn't take much cover to encourage skiers. Even the oak leaves that dropped after the snow fell were slippery.

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Schools ...

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period where students would be allowed to do specific research, work on projects, use the computer lab or visit guidance, Parker said.

The year-long schedule, the alternating or "A/B four by four block" would assign students five core subjects and a directed study all



Parker — building blocks.

year, three on one day and two the next day, on alternating days thorough the week.

Committee member Skip Eccles said he thought a directed study would be much more use-

ful in the alternating schedule rather than the semester schedule, partly because students could receive tutoring in a tough subject. In a semester schedule, the directed study could fall in a semester of lighter course work and contribute to a risk of unbalanced schedules through the year, he said.

To accommodate the block schedule format without hiring too many more teachers, both semester and alternating schedules were designed to offer seven classes for the year, Parker said.

School Council co-chair Joan Cohen who worked on the schedule plans with Parker said the administration has a long-term goal of developing an eight class schedule that includes 90- and 45-minute classes.

Once the administration chooses the schedule, parents will have a chance to review it before their child chooses classes to avoid changes after the school year begins, Parker said.

Building support for recreation

By Neil Fater

The future of Andover's recreation may be found in the past.

At least it may be if the town reestablishes its old recreation advisory committee, an idea presented by Mary Donohue, co-director of the community services department.

Donohue says such a committee, made up of people from different town interest groups, could build town-wide support for recreation projects.

"I think that committee would be a binding force for our actions. We need that glue," she says.

Selectmen seemed to support Donohue's idea during a recent meeting geared toward finding out what people want for recreation in town.

Some selectmen have expressed frustration because they feel many residents want

more recreation areas, but few support having them near their homes. As a result of this not-in-my-back-yard attitude, selectmen say little is accomplished.

But the committee would allow different groups to interact more and build support for various projects, says Donohue. She believes the youth center bid that was shot down by a slim margin in 1994 would have been passed had this committee existed to let more people in on the idea earlier.

"We have a lot of talent in town with a recreation background," says Donohue. "I think it's because we didn't have this committee that some of our warrant articles haven't passed. We haven't had the community touch."

Donohue says the committee would build this community touch and perhaps consider long-term and town-wide needs.

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Accused teen arsonists face the 'system'

By Neil Fater

The two teen-age boys accused of setting fire to several Andover buildings, cars and trash bins could spend Christmas in jail, depending on the results of a so-called "dangerous hearing" scheduled for Dec. 23.

The purpose of the hearing is to determine if the 15-year-old suspects will pose a threat to society if released from state care for the course of their trial, says Andover Detective Don Pattullo.

Originally slated for Tuesday morning, Dec. 16, the hearing was continued because new attorneys are now representing the youths.

"Now, they (the suspects) will go back to wherever they were until the 23rd," says Pattullo. "If they are deemed a threat on Dec. 23 then they'll be held until they go to trial."

But, after Dec. 23, what happens to the alleged arsonists is anyone's guess. Although lawyers don't want to comment on this specific case, those frequently involved with juvenile proceedings say there are a number of possible roads this type of case can follow.

Youths charged in serious crimes can be tried as adults (an unlikely option), as youths or as "youthful offenders," says Sal Tabit, a former assistant district attorney who was head of Lawrence's juvenile justice unit.

If convicted, youths can face anything from adult jail time to getting the chance to remove the conviction from their records if they keep their noses clean, he says.

About the only sure thing is that, if convicted, the youths will receive some type of counseling and will have their family and educational lives disrupted, says Essex County DA Kevin Burke.

"At no stage do you completely ignore a kid with this type of problem," says Burke.

Assuming they are committed to a Department of Youth Services facility, it appears several educational options are possible for the two Andover boys, one of whom was attending an out-of-town school before being accused in the arson cases.

"In some cases, kids committed to DYS end up back in the public schools," says Burke, speaking generally. "In some cases if (guilty of a serious crime) they will be in a secure setting, a lock up, and they will get some education, but not in a school setting."

Burke says that in some cases, a youth may have other issues to deal with outside of getting an education. Assessments are done, and sometimes they reveal possible psychological reasons for the youths' actions.

"Once you're committed to DYS, it's meant to be serious," says Burke. "For a kid with a lot of problems, the likelihood of them returning to a 'normal' education setting is not great."

Youthful offenders option

A year-and-a-half-old juvenile law now allows some youths to be charged as "youthful offenders," a category Tabit says means "they can be charged essentially as adults."

The alleged Andover arsonists could fit that description, because they are older than 14 and committed an act that could have put people in danger, he says.

"So even if these

juveniles had no record, they could probably still be tried as youthful offenders," says Tabit.

If indicted as youthful offenders, he says defendants can:

- be committed to a DYS facility until age 21, instead of only until the typical age 18; or
- face a regular DYS commitment, but then face adult penalties if they get in trouble again as youths after being released from that commitment.

"Or you could probably give them an adult sentence and send them to Walpole. But it doesn't happen that often. I never saw it the whole time I was there (in the DA's office)," says Tabit.

The DYS options

There are a number of different types of DYS facilities for convicted youths, but Burke says it is up to DYS officials to decide where a kid should be sent.

It's also up to them how long the youths will stay under DYS control.

So what does it mean to be sent to such a facility?

"It means very little to be honest with you," says Tabit. "If you're a juvenile and you're convicted and sentenced to DYS, no one has any control other than youth services over how long that person is locked up."

"DYS can turn around and release that person tomorrow," he says.

Having said that, however, Tabit says that DYS has set up a grid now that it follows closely in keeping kids who have committed certain crimes. "It is much less of a revolving door than it used to be," he says.

DYS also has the right to pull a convicted youth back into a facility if he or she gets in trouble again after a DYS official decides to let them return home.

Fire starters program

One option that is available to prosecutors in handling juvenile fire-setting cases is to put the youths in the state's fire-starter program. Tabit says when he was with the juvenile justice unit, nearly every young, accused or convicted firebug was put in this program to teach them about the dangers of fire.

But Burke indicates that program is probably not in the immediate future of the two Andover youths. He says the program is for those who set less serious or "nuisance fires."

"You wouldn't want to involve anybody (in fire-starters) who's had attempts of arson on dwelling houses," says Burke.

Both Andover boys are accused of trying to set fire to a dwelling.

But again, it will be entirely up to DYS offi-

cials to decide how long the Andover boys should stay in a state facility, if they are convicted as youths.

Tabit says that from his experience, the DA's office is not swayed by the public nature of a case, but he indicates the office is well aware when eyes are on the results.

"The most important point is still public safety. Sometimes public safety can still be maintained with a lighter sentence than an adult would face," says Tabit.

"You have to remember this is not only a serious case, but a public case," he says. "They'll be careful with what happens."

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Attendance improves at Voke

By Rebecca Lipchitz

Greater Lawrence Technical High School students are showing up for class more often, as the school emphasizes attendance as the first element of a good work ethic.

The school reported the dropout rate was cut in half last year from the year before (from 7.6 percent to 3.5 percent) and attendance was up to 90 percent of students per day, said Principal Frank S. Vacirca.

"It may sound corny" says Vacirca, but every morning in public announcements he stresses the importance of coming to school each and every day.

"We need to indoctrinate them with the values of the workplace," he says.

Superintendent Marsha A. McDonough agrees.

"A good work ethic is showing up every day, on time, ready to work," she says.

Vacirca cited several reasons for improved attendance, including stricter policies, two active attendance officers and a more hands-on approach from the guidance counselors.

The tighter attendance policies include a

practice of putting students on academic probation after 14 absences, Vacirca says.

The two attendance officers, Barrett McCarthy of Andover and Rebecca Fuentes of Haverhill make it their job to call the homes of absent students, Vacirca says.

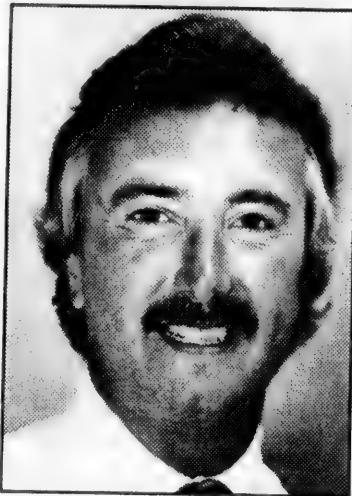


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Vacirca — pushing work place values.

When it comes to guidance, Vacirca seems to take an almost religious approach.

To avoid "preaching to the choir," he says, he sends guidance counselors out into the shops and classes as "evangelists or emissaries" to preach the importance of good attendance.

"They're sort of the rah-rah motivators," he says, adding that they occasionally warn the sophomores if the freshman are getting a better record that quarter.

McDonough says the demanding attendance rules of the co-op work program that places students in jobs as seniors is inspiration for

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Tabit plots a polite run for rep

By Neil Fater

A former prosecutor is hoping to make state Representative Barry Finegold a one-term legislator.

Though he won't officially announce his candidacy until February, as reported in last week's *Townsmen* (page 31), Cuba Street resident Salim Rodriguez Tabit is making public his intent to run for Finegold's 17th Essex District seat next November.

It will be the first attempt at elective office for Tabit, a 28-year-old Republican.

"I haven't, and the reason is I'm fairly young and wanted to establish a career," he says. "I didn't want to be in a position where I ran for office with no background or experience."

But Tabit now considers himself ready, in part because he has followed in his parents' footsteps as the owner of a small business. Tabit, called "Sal" by those who know him, is one-half of the private North Andover law practice of Harvey and Tabit. His parents own a pair of market-and-deli shops in Cambridge.

Before opening his practice this summer, Tabit worked as an assistant district attorney in Lawrence for two and a half years. He began his career in Lawrence as one of two prosecutors in the domestic violence unit, and was later tapped to head Lawrence's juvenile justice unit.

A Cuban-American who speaks fluent Spanish, lives in Andover and formerly worked in Lawrence, Tabit sees himself as a rare candidate for a state rep. post that covers most of Andover and some of Lawrence. He says the two communities have more connections than many people believe.

"That's one of the reasons I'm running," he says. "I think there's more in common among the people than a lot of people might give credit to. Caring, hard-working people all want the same thing."



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Tabit — running for, not against.

It is those things on which Tabit plans to focus his campaign.

Facing a candidate who voted against the death penalty, Tabit, the former prosecutor, says his key issues will be law and order, fiscal responsibility (including lowering taxes), and education.

But Tabit, who seems personable and open throughout a lengthy interview, says he is not running against Finegold — he is simply running for an office Finegold currently holds.

"I'm running — if I decide to — because I have experience and a background that will help this district," he says. "I'm not running as a reactionary."

He's been considering this run since July. In fact, Tabit says one of the reasons he left his prosecutor post was to make sure he had the contacts and ties necessary for a legitimate bid.

But there were personal reasons for leaving the district attorney's office as well. Tabit says he knew he would soon propose to now-fiancée Jean Chambers, a University of New England medical school student. He was also faced with trying to pay off his own law-school loans.

As a potential GOP candidate, Tabit faces a different set of financial difficulties. Finegold raised — and spent — a tidy sum during his first state representative race in 1996, when he faced challengers in both the primary and general elections.

"I know that the incumbent in the last election did raise a lot of money and he's capable of doing that, to his credit," says Tabit. "Unfortunately, it does take money to run an election. I don't know what it will take, but it will take a decent amount."

If the 1996 election was any indicator, it could take Tabit at least something close to the more than \$50,000 spent that year by Finegold.

Tabit declined to state how much he has raised to this point.

"I've raised enough money that I'll be able to kick off a campaign when I decide to," says Tabit before chuckling, "I can tell you that I don't have as much as the incumbent."

Born in Boston, Tabit is a first-generation American who graduated from Boston College Law School in 1994. He grew up in Brockton and moved to Andover less than a year ago.

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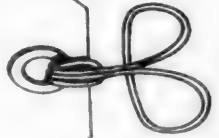
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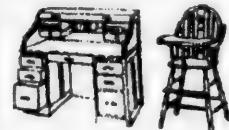
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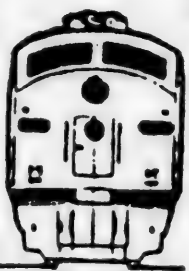
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ARRESTS

Wednesday, Dec. 10 - At 3:01 a.m., Merrimack College police brought into the station three males, aged 22, 21 and 20 that they had arrested and wanted to charge with disorderly conduct.

At 1:22 p.m., Nathaniel J. Woodget, 33, of Carey Circle, Revere, was arrested on Riverside Drive and charged with attaching plates to an unregistered, uninsured vehicle that he was driving without a license.

Thursday, Dec. 11 - At 1:38 a.m., Steven E. Dube, 18, of Druid Hill Avenue, Methuen, was arrested on Interstate 93 North and charged with speeding and driving with a suspended license.

At 2:16 a.m., Rosaura Estevez, 35, of Groton Street, Lawrence, was arrested on Main Street and charged on a state police warrant for driving without a license.

At 3:03 a.m., John Stanley, 44, of 10C Washington Park Drive, Andover, was arrested on North Main Street and charged with driving an uninsured vehicle with defective equipment, driving without a license, and driving after his plates had been revoked.

At 11:43 p.m., Andover police assisted Boston police with the arrest of a 24-year-old Dorchester man charged on a warrant for breaking and entering and other

charges.

Friday, Dec. 12 - At 1:27 a.m., Mark J. DiZoglio, Caleb Drive, Danville, N.H., was arrested on Old River Road and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and failing to stay within marked lanes.

At 2:20 a.m., after an officer reported a male walking on Elm Street, Jesse E. Hunter, 31, of 31 Essex St., Andover was arrested and charged on an Everett default warrant.

At 11:22 a.m., Francis Fang, 37, of 16 Greybitch Road, Andover, was arrested on River Road and charged with speeding and on a warrant for failure to pay court fines.

At 5 p.m., a 51-year-old Andover female was taken into protective custody, after reports of an intoxicated person on North Main Street.

Saturday, Dec. 13 - In the early morning hours, Merrimack College police brought in a 20-year-old male they were charging with possession of a Class D substance and with being a disorderly person.

At 2:47 a.m., Robert C. Licare Jr., 32, of Stevens Street, Methuen, was arrested on Interstate 93 North and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and with failing to stay in marked

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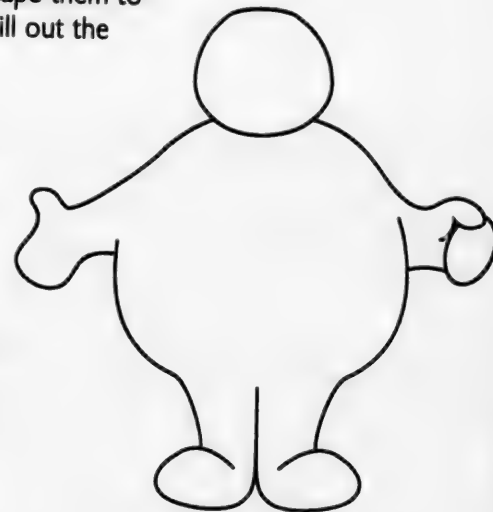
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lanes.

At 3:07 a.m., Torres Zulma, 31, of Saratoga Street, Lawrence, was arrested on Haverhill Street and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, driving without a license, and failing to keep right with view obstructed.

At 3:18 a.m., Sandra L. Provencher, 49, and Harold J. Higgins Jr., 46, both of Shawsheen Road, Lawrence, were arrested on Interstate 495 North. Provencher was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and with failing to stay in marked lanes. Higgins was charged with illegal possession of a Class D substance.

At 4:23 a.m., a 31-year-old Lawrence male was taken into protective custody.

Tuesday, Dec. 16 - At 11:25

a.m., Lee A. Walkup, 33, of Jackson Street, Methuen, was arrested at Walkup's Garage on Railroad Street and charged on a North Andover warrant for driving an unregistered, uninsured vehicle.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, Dec. 10 - At 4:42 a.m., a Pioneer Circle caller reported a dark sedan driving around the neighborhood, stopping at doors and then leaving. The caller didn't think this person was the newspaper man. An officer stopped the vehicle and reported ... it was the newspaper man.

At 10:20 a.m., an officer assisted a deputy sheriff with an incident at the Ramada Rolling Green.

At 4:31 p.m., a man came into the station to drop off several credit cards he had found in the Shawsheen Plaza lot.

At 6:29 p.m., a Haggetts Pond Road man reported

someone fraudulently using his identification.

Thursday, Dec. 11 - At 7:55 p.m., an officer was to file on an assault at the Greater Lawrence Technical School.

Police said the mother of the boy assaulted thought police should have been notified of the incident by the school. It was reported that her son was punched in the jaw, choked, and knocked unconscious before teachers were able to break up the fight.

At 10:47 p.m., two anonymous males came into the station to report that a female's father had assaulted them. An officer reported they were unsure of the girl's last name or her address and then left the station.

Friday, Dec. 12 - At 8:14 p.m., an Andover caller reported that someone kept knocking at the door and ringing the bell, frightening the caller, who was home alone. An officer reported it was the

person's son at the door.

Saturday, Dec. 13 - At 10:43 a.m., a Main Street caller reported that her upstairs neighbor was intoxicated and was pounding hard enough on the floor to make her alarm go off. The caller also reported the neighbor had hit her by throwing a shoe at her. An officer reported peace between the

two.

Sunday, Dec. 14 - At 7:05 a.m., an officer reported finding an '87 Jetta with a license plate that did not belong to it. An officer later issued a criminal application for attaching plates to and for driving an unregistered, uninsured car.

At 8:11 a.m., after a call from a

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Memories ...

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1954. Christine's husband and Tina's father, Edward "Ted" Jones, then became manager of the businesses, with Christine Jones working in the Park Street business.

Ted Jones was responsible for modernizing the Andover alleys, adding not just pin-setting machines, but also new lights, seats, ceilings and ball returns.

Because of her family's involvement with the entertainment establishments, Tina Munger says when she was young, she met some of the noted pool players of the time,

such as Willie Mosconi.

"He taught me how to play pool when I was a kid," she says, "and I beat him at Crazy Eights when I was in the hospital."

After years of success, her family sold the Andover bowling alley to Harold and Greta Johnson in 1969, says Munger.

Now, as construction begins on a small shopping center at the old bowling alley site, the Mungers and Christine Jones seem to have the same feelings toward the spot as many of Andover's bowlers.

"There is nothing to do in this town," says Lee Munger. "I would love to have seen it stay as a bowling alley, but all good things must come to an end."

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Main Street resident, police reported that an intoxicated woman had sprayed her neighbor with liquid when the neighbor opened the door.

At 8:24 p.m., a customer at River Road's Grill 93 reported the restaurant had served his 2-year-old child hard cider. He was unaware of it until he cleaned out her cup. Police reported "it was an honest mistake by a new waitress."

Tuesday, Dec. 16 - At 11:31 a.m., there was a report of a garage fire on Topping Road, but an officer found two garages on fire and blocked off the street for fire department personnel.

BREAKS

Tuesday, Dec. 16 - At 11:38 a.m., a Summer Street man came into the police station to report someone had broken into his home and taken some tools about two months earlier. But an officer reported no break had taken place.

CAR BREAKS

Tuesday, Dec. 16 - At 5:23 a.m., a Tage Inn guest reported his or her car had been broken into and items had been taken.

At 1:06 p.m., the 99 Restaurant manager reported that two patrons had seen a male break into a vehicle in the lot. He then drove off. Area police were notified but were unable to find the man.

THEFTS

Wednesday, Dec. 10 - At 9:10 a.m., a Chestnut Court man reported a license plate lost or stolen.

Thursday, Dec. 11 - At 5:04 p.m., a female reported her bike stolen from Park Street's Learning Express.

At 7:19 p.m., a Pine Street male reported his CDs taken from his car the previous night.

Friday, Dec. 12 - At 3:50 p.m., a worker at Marshalls in Shawsheen Plaza reported two kids had taken a handful of jeans, run out of the store, and driven away in a older, greenish Toyota. An officer reported two Hispanic males had taken about 25 pairs of jeans.

Saturday, Dec. 13 - At 2:38 p.m., a woman reported her wallet stolen the previous day at Christ Church's preschool on Central Street.

Sunday, Dec. 14 - At 3:56 p.m., a Bellevue Road resident reported a license plate missing from a Volvo.

Monday, Dec. 15 - At 2:03 p.m., a Brickstone Square employee reported a larceny from his or her building.

At 3:12, a letter dated Dec. 12 was received from PictureTel Corp. reporting four laptop computers missing.

ACCIDENTS

Wednesday, Dec. 10 - At 10:57 a.m., there was an accident with personal injury on Route 28, North Main Street, near Interstate 495.

Thursday, Dec. 11 - At 9:49 a.m., a woman reported a hit and run by a white Oldsmobile on her vehicle, parked in a Main Street lot.

At 4:55 p.m., there were several reports of a man hit by a vehicle off North Main Street.

At 6:39 p.m., callers reported a vehicle had gone over a wall in front of Grassfields in Shawsheen Plaza. There was no damage to either the

wall or the car, but a towing company was needed to lift the vehicle off the wall.

Friday, Dec. 12 - At 3:41 p.m., there were numerous calls about an accident at Route 125 and Wildwood Road.

At 6:04 p.m., after conflicting reports about its location, an officer reported a Lowell Street accident with minor personal injuries to two people.

Sunday, Dec. 14 - At 12:49 a.m., a caller reported a car accident on Barnard Street that caused a green light pole to lean against Andover Photo.

Monday, Dec. 15 - At 5:17 p.m., a caller reported a cat hit by a car on Center Street. An officer reported

the cat had died.

Tuesday, Dec. 16 - At 7:46 a.m., a Greenwood Road caller reported a three-car accident with minor personal injuries.

At 3:53 p.m., there were several calls about a rollover accident on River Street, but an officer reported no injuries, except those to a near-by pole.

At 6:30 p.m., state police officers reported an accident with injuries on Interstate 495 North.

VANDALISM

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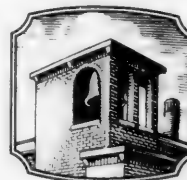


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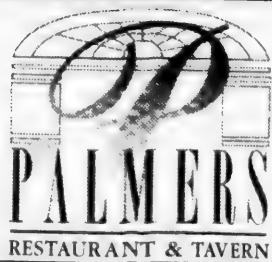
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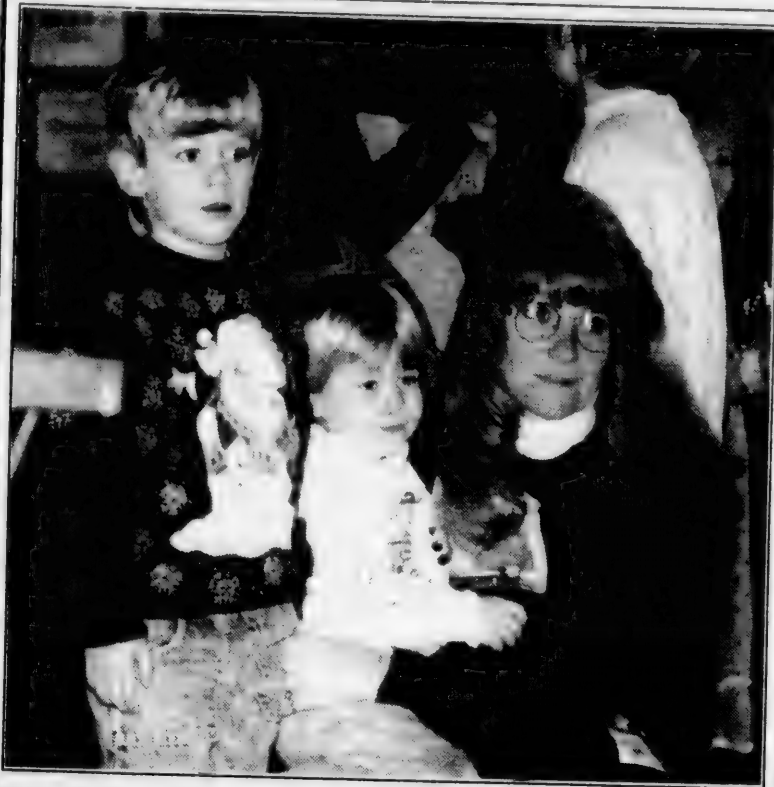
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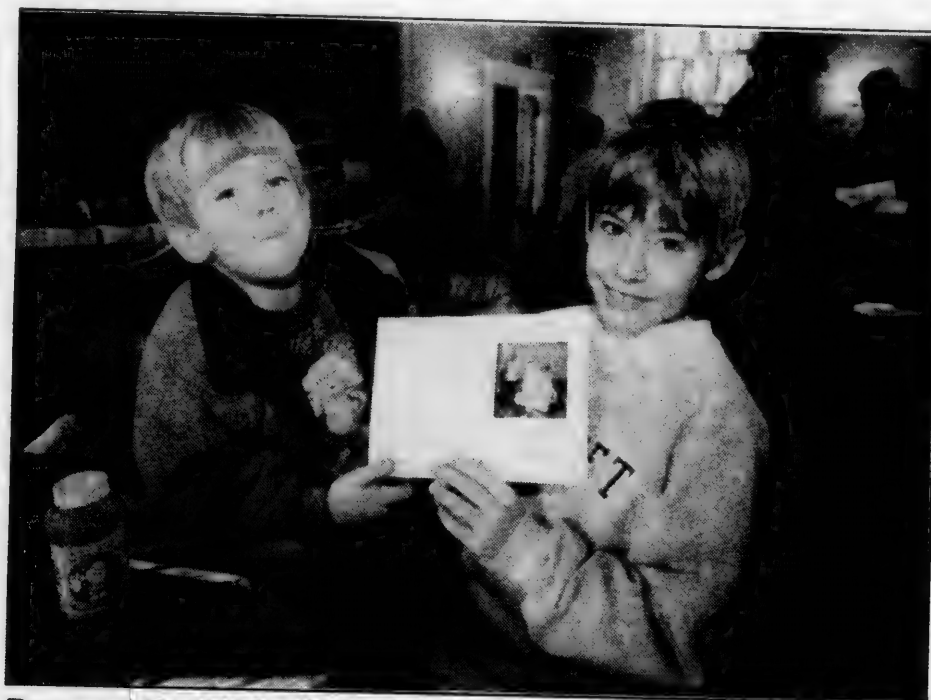
HAVING BREAKFAST WITH SANTA AT THE TOWN HOUSE



◀ At left: They waited in line last Saturday morning at the Town House to have their pictures taken with Santa, and have a little breakfast. Ryan, 5, Connor, 2, and mom Lisa Boudreau are next in line. Below: It was definitely worth the wait!



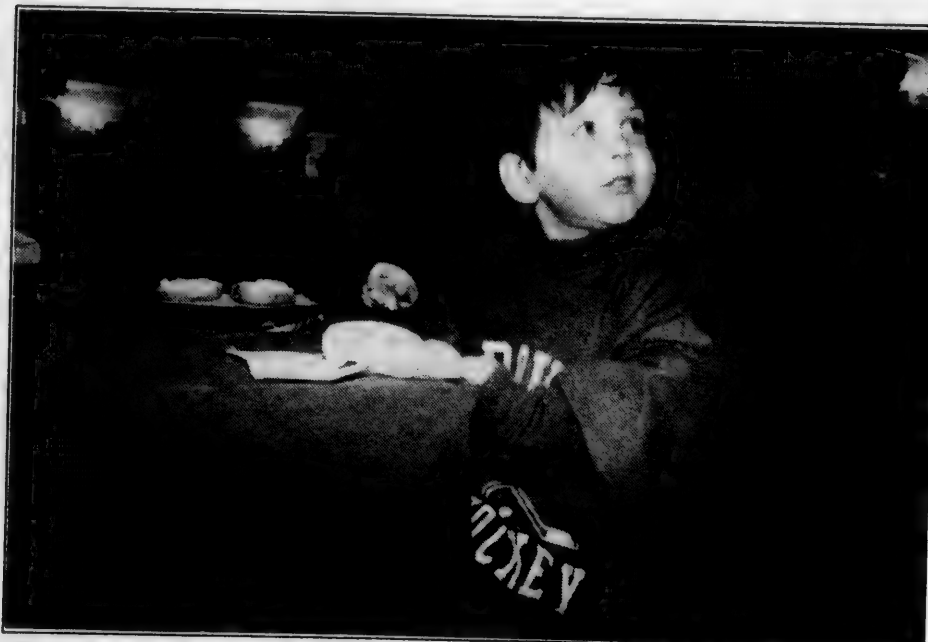
Clayton Daher, 5, is very comfortable telling Santa what's on his list this year. Photos by Lisa Adelsberger



Ryan, 5, helps his brother Mikey Boudreau, 9, hold his portrait with Santa. Ryan got bubble mix and a candy cane from Santa.



Serving up the goodies are Carol and Tom Keefe of Addison Travel and, between them, Jennifer LoChiatto of Andover Optical. Andover Center Association members sponsored the event.



Christopher Penta, 4½, keeps an eye on Santa while he finishes his breakfast upstairs in the Town House.

WEDDINGS

Kelleher-Horgan

Renée Horgan and John Kelleher were married July 12 at Saint John the Evangelist Church in Swampscott. Following a reception at the Hawthorne Hotel in Salem, Mass., the couple left for a cruise to Bermuda.

The bride is the daughter of Susan Horgan-Baker and the late Donald Horgan. She graduated from the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

She is the vice president of Conversions at First Data Corp.

Her husband is the son of Jane and John Kelleher. He also graduated from the University of Massachusetts Amherst and received a MBA degree from the University of Nevada at Las Vegas.

He is a senior associate for PAN Communications in Andover.

The couple live in Newburyport.



Renée and John
Kelleher

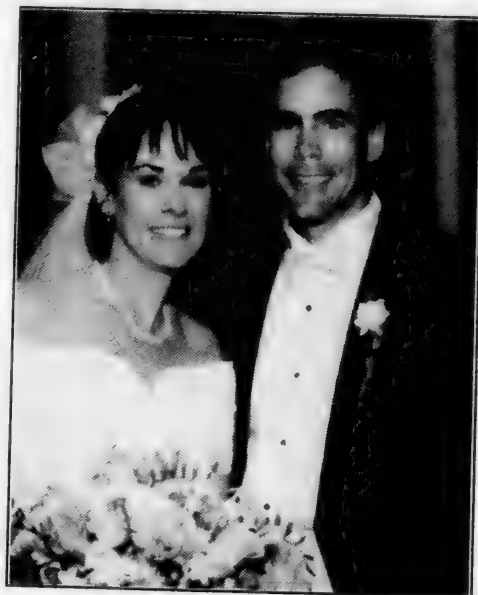
Scolari-Paris

Yvonne Marie Paris and Arthur Poster Scolari were married July 5 at a nuptial Mass in St. Michael Church in North Andover. The Rev. Michael Randone performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman W. Paris of Corpus Christi, Texas, formerly of Andover. She attended Andover High School and graduated from King High School in Corpus Christi, Texas; University of Texas; and Texas Tech School of Medicine. The doctor is a pediatric cardiologist at Bay State Medical in Springfield.

Mr. Scolari is the son of Barbara Fay of Longmeadow and the late Arthur Scolari. He graduated from Edgemont High School in New York and Allegheny College in Pennsylvania. He is employed by Wyeth Pharmaceuticals.

The couple live in Longmeadow.



Yvonne and Arthur
Scolari

Tine-Costa

Dianne Marie Costa and Andrew Joseph Tine were married Aug. 16 at Saint Joseph's Church.

Dianne Mahony was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Francesca Harrington, Janis Bresnahan, Valerie McGrath and Christine Bachand.

The best man was Sebastian Tine III. Christopher Costa, Jim Silveria and John Livsey were ushers.

The flowers for the wedding and reception at the Andover Inn were designed by the father of the bride.

The bride is the daughter of Robert and Monica Costa of Andover. She graduated from Andover High School and holds a bachelor of arts degree in graphic design from Salem State College. She is an art director with the Newburyport Press Inc., in Newbury.

Her husband is the son of Celina Tine of Andover, and the late Sebastian Tine Jr. He also graduated from Andover High School and holds a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from the University of Massachusetts Lowell and a doctor of jurisprudence



Dianne and Andrew
Tine

from the Massachusetts School of Law. He is an attorney at the Law Offices of Glenn H. Haese in Boston.

After a trip to Sicily, the couple live in Salem, Mass.

Frost-Lincoln

Kerry Lee Lincoln and Andrew Shaffer Frost were married Aug. 9 in St. John the Evangelist Church in Attleboro. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Msgr. Daniel F. Hoye during the nuptial Mass.

The bride was given in marriage by her brothers, Steven Lincoln and Thomas Lincoln. Robert Frost, the groom's uncle, sang the *Ave Maria* and *The Wedding Song*. Readings were given by Kathleen Peters, the bride's sister, and Elizabeth Frost, the groom's sister.

Lisa Gilgan was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Lori Anderson, Erin Pigott and Melissa Peters, the bride's niece.

John Beardsley was best man. Ushers were Mark Frost, brother of the groom, Richard Lincoln, brother of the bride, and Kevin Wilson.

The bride wore a silk shantung A-line dress with a Venice lace bodice and carried a cascade of white roses and ivy.

Following a reception at The Casino-Roger Williams Park, Providence, R.I., the couple left for Italy.

The bride is the daughter of Judith Lincoln of Attleboro and George Lincoln of Hamden, Conn. She graduated from Bishop Feehan High School in Attleboro and the University of Lowell with a B.S. degree in accounting. She is a controller with Boyle



Andrew and Kerry
Frost

Leasing Technologies in Waltham.

Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Frost of Andover. He graduated from Andover High School and from Union College in Schenectady, N.Y., with a B.S. degree in economics. He is a software designer with IDX Systems Corp. in Boston.

The couple live in Mansfield.

Haesity-Georgian

Andrea Georgian and Paul F. Haesity Jr. were married Aug. 18 at Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church. Father Paul N. Pantelis performed the Greek Orthodox ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Georgian of Andover. She received a BA degree from Bates College in 1994 and an MEd degree from Lesley College in 1996. She is an English teacher at Brunswick High School.

Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Haesity Sr. of Duxbury. He also received a BA degree from Bates College in 1994 and is currently attending University of Maine Law School in Portland.

Following a trip to Disney World in Orlando, Fla., the couple live in Brunswick, Maine.



Andrea and Paul
Haesity

Georgoudis-Walsh

Nancy Walsh and Dean Georgoudis were married Aug. 30 at St. Joseph's Church. Father Richard Foley officiated at the Mass.

The flower girl was Kelly Elizabeth Walsh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Walsh of Andover, was flower girl.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Walsh of Andover. She is employed by Lapham/Miller.

Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Georgoudis of Andover. He is employed by Whirlpool Corp.

Following a 2½-week trip to Greece, the couple live in Andover.



Nancy and Dean Georgoudis ▶

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WEDDINGS

Morris-Hersee

Renee D. Hersee and James R. Morris were married June 29 at United Church of Christ in Medfield by the Dr. Rev. Philip Bauman.

The matron of honor was Robin (Cox) Janse. Bridesmaids were Kerrie Belluardo, Cassandra Hunt and Cindy Gleason.

The best man was Patrick Moesch. Groomsmen were Carl Lindburg, Frank Chute and James Felker.

Following a reception at the Ristorante Primavera in Millis, the couple left for St. Lucia.

The bride is the daughter of Robert and Claire Hersee of Medfield. She is a choral teacher in Framingham public schools.

Her husband is the son of John and Roberta Morris of Andover. He is production manager at Prophet Sound in Stoughton.

The couple live in Medfield.



James and Renee
Morris

Mathieu-Toth

Michelle Toth and Stephen Mathieu were married Sept. 20 at St. Joseph Church. The Rev. John Allen of Biddeford, Maine, a friend of the family, performed the ceremony.

A reception was held at Hellenic Center in Ipswich.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Toth of Andover. The financial analyst received a B.S. in business from the University of Maine Orono.

Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Mathieu of South Harpswell, Maine. The sales consultant also received a B.S. in business from the University of Maine Orono.

The couple live in Topsham, Maine.



Stephen and Michelle Mathieu ►

Sambuco 50th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sambuco of 78A Jefferson St., North Andover, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 16. They were former residents of Andover for 18 years.

The couple renewed their vows during Sunday Mass at St. Augustine's Church performed by Father Richard O'Leary. More than 100 family and friends attend a reception at LaChandelle given by their children.

Mr. Sambuco have six children: sons and daughters-in-law, Frank and Virginia Sambuco of Colorado; Thomas and Kathy Sambuco and Richard and Pamela Sambuco, all of Andover, and Andrew and Kathy Sambuco of Haverhill; daughters and sons-in-law, Christine and Jim Ouellette of Fall River and Maureen and John McCarthy of Methuen.

They also have six grandchildren.



Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sambuco ►

Talwani-Giannone

Michele L. Giannone and Jameel Talwani were married at St. Augustine Church in the spring. Lucille Giannone gave her daughter away at the candlelight ceremony performed by the Rev. Fritz Cerullo.

The maid of honor was Luan Giannone of Andover. The bridesmaids were Anisa Talwani of Ringoes, N.J., Amie Archambault of Morristown, N.J., Jennifer Colsia of Methuen, Catherine Curry of York, Maine, and Julie Darwin of Andover.

D. Samuel Morris of Morristown, N.J., was best man.

The groomsmen were Anthony Giannone III of Andover, Michael Kilfoyle of Plymouth, N.H., Dan Morell of Campton, N.H., Michael Parker of Morristown, N.J., and Lee Piccariello of Bristol, Pa.

The ringbearer was Michael Giannone of Andover, the brides nephew.

Following a ceremony at Indian Ridge Country Club, the couple left for the Caribbean.

The bride earned a bachelor of science degree in business management and a masters in business administration from Plymouth State College in Plymouth, N.H. She is a marketing consultant for Interlakes Group Inc., in Meredith, N.H.



Jameel and Michele
Talwani

Her husband is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Yunus Talwani of Ringoes, N.J. He received a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy from Plymouth State College and is chef at the Mad River Tavern and Restaurant in Campton, N.H.

The couple live in Thornton, N.H.

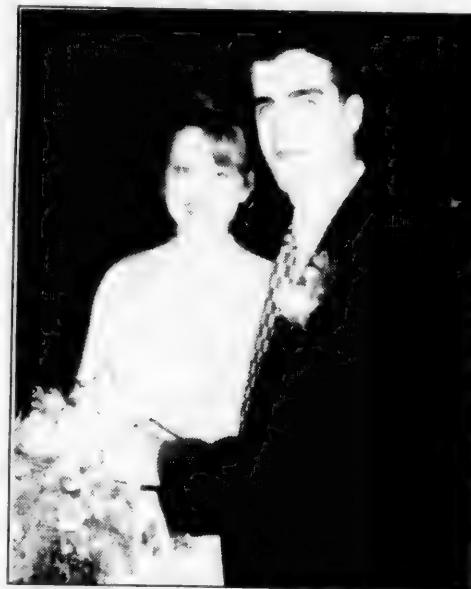
Robson-Robinson

Lena Ann Robinson and Dwight Daniel Robson were married by June David of St. Helena, Calif., at Foothill House in Calistoga, Calif.

The bride is the daughter of Leora Robinson of Andover and Dr. Charles Robinson of Charlestown. She graduated from Andover High School in 197, UMass Lowell in 1992 and New England School of Law in 1996 with a juris doctor degree. She is an attorney in Boston.

Her husband is the son of Alice Robson of Pittsfield, Maine, and Arthur Robson of Owl's Head, Maine. He graduated from Rockland High School in Maine and from UMass Lowell. The former chief of staff of Legislature's Education Committee is press secretary for Attorney General Scott Harshbarger.

The couple live in Winthrop.



Lena and Dwight
Robson

Bernard-Poirier

Rhonda Lee Dancing Cloud Poirier and Spec. Todd Alan Bernard were married July 26 at White Buffalo Saloon by Justice of the Peace Phillip Fichera.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo E. Poirier of Andover. She attended Fellowship Bible School and was trained in child care. She is a homemaker and child care provider.

Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bernard of Danville, N.H. He graduated from Timberlane High School and New Hampshire Technical Institute. He is with the U.S. Army Aviation.

The couple live in Clarksville, Tenn., with their son, Brendin Shadow Hawk Poirier.



Rhonda and Todd Bernard ►

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SPORTS

Start their season as the No. 1 ranked Division I team in the state

AHS women's varsity basketball team romps over Central Catholic

AHS ROUNDUP

By Rick Harrison

The Andover High women's varsity basketball team rode strong performances from senior center Kristen Foley and senior guard Charlotte Muller to a season-opening 70-29 Merrimack Valley Conference romp over visiting Central Catholic Tuesday night at the Dunn Gym.

Assumption College recruit Foley had a monster game with 17 points, 16 rebounds, seven blocked shots and five steals, while career scoring leader Muller tossed in 14 points and passed out seven assists in one half of play for the defending league and Division 1 North champions.

The Andover women also started the season as the No. 1 ranked Division I team in the state.

Two other AHS teams also launched their 1997-'98 seasons on a less successful note Tuesday, the undermanned hockey team dropping a 9-1 non-league decision to North Middlesex Regional and the men's swim team beaten 98-73 by defending MVC champ Nashua, N.H. in a dual meet at the Greater Lawrence Tech pool.

The women's basketball team had an early-season showdown with Chelmsford (1-0) tonight at home (7:30 p.m.), while the hockey team begins its MVC/DCL Division II schedule tomorrow by hosting Concord-Carlisle at Merrimack College (4:45 p.m.).

The swim team returns to the water tomorrow afternoon when it hosts Lowell (0-1) at the GLT pool (3:30).

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Central Catholic (29) — Lavin 2-2-7, Lucier 1-0-2, Riley 3-0-8, Gwizdak 1-2-4, Hall 2-2-6, Kelly 1-0-2. Totals: 10-6-29.

Andover (70) — Coppolino 4-0-8, Orlando 2-3-7, Foley 8-1-17, SMuller 3-0-7, CMuller 6-0-14, Viola 1-1-3, Hartwell 0-0-0, Dargan 0-0-0, Sweeney 1-0-2, Tisbert 2-2-6, Pearson 3-0-6. Totals: 30-7-70.

Halftime: Andover, 43-10. **3-pointers:** A, CMuller 2, SMuller 1; CC, Riley 2, Lavin 1. **Rebounds:** A, Foley 16, Coppolino 10, Pearson 9. **Assists:** A, CMuller 7, SMuller 5, Orlando 4. **Steals:** CMuller 6, Foley 5, Pearson, SMuller, Orlando 3 each. **Blocked Shots:** A, Foley 7. **Records:** Andover 1-0, Central Catholic 0-1.

trolled the boards.

The lead swelled to 43-10 by halftime, and in the final 16 minutes Andover's first-year varsity players received some valuable experience.

Coppolino added eight points and 10 rebounds to the effort, while Captain Sarah Muller had seven points, five assists and three steals in limited time.

Senior guard Laura Orlando contributed seven points, four assists and three steals, and sophomore forward Lindsey Pearson had six points, nine rebounds and three steals.

Freshman guard Lisa Tisbert made an auspicious varsity debut with six points, senior Julie Viola had three and sophomore forward Kristin Sweeney netted two points.

"Jenna Hartwell, Tisbert and Viola were very impressive with their play off the bench," said Tidsley.

Freshman guard Fran Riley and Jen Lavin paced Central with eight and seven points respectively.

Andover's last regular season and MVC loss was to Haverhill, 74-37, on Feb. 2, 1996.

Tonight's opponent, Chelmsford, opened its season Tuesday with an improbable 60-4 (correct score, not a typo) thrashing of Lawrence.

The Lions are a veteran team led by University of Rhode Island full scholarship recruit Colleen Mullen and Tiffany Trahan.

ICE HOCKEY

With 12 players forced to sit out the opener for disciplinary reasons dating back to last sea-

son, Andover expected a tough night against Central Mass. Division III power North Middlesex Regional.

After junior center Keith Espinola's goal at 1:48 of the second period the Golden Warriors trailed only 2-1, and it was just 3-1 when the Patriots finally broke it open with four goals in the final eight minutes of the middle stanza.

"I'd like to play them again with a full team," said AHS coach Bill Cullen. "But this game gave our little guys, the freshmen and sophomores, a chance to play and they skated hard. It was good to see them get the ice time, although I wish it were under different circumstances."

Jeff Brodeur, who scored 66 points last season for North Middlesex, led the winner's attack with one goal in each period for a hat trick.

Mike Lemire contributed two goals and two assists, while Matt Cruickshank and Matt Gleason passed out four assists each.

Senior defenseman Scott Petersen

and junior Mike Sheehy set up Espinola's goal for Andover.

Sophomore Chris Salini made his second start in net and played 42 minutes for AHS. Sophomore Matt Beechinor finished up and the pair combined for 29 saves.

NMRHS held 14-6 shots-on-goal edges in the first and third periods and outgunned the locals 38-17 in the game.

MEN'S SWIMMING

Andover/Central Catholic and new coach Mark Taffe drew the short straw as they were forced to open with last year's undefeated Merrimack Valley Conference champ, Nashua, which stretched its three-year dual-meet win streak to 12 with the 98-73 victory.

Chris Zalewski, Rich Sheldon, Chris Lustig, Jeff Lee and Matt Stitham all scored for the combined A/C squad by placing in the top three.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The Lady Warriors will intimidate a number of their opponents this season, and Central appeared to be one of those daunted by the prospect of facing a veteran team coming off a 24-1 year.

Andover rolled out to a 16-0 lead in the first four minutes of play and coasted to its 24th straight regular season victory.

"Our full-court zone press was very effective," said coach Jim Tidsley. "It produced a ton of steals for pretty easy baskets."

Captain Charlotte Muller had five steals and scored eight points during the early blitz, while Foley and Janice Coppolino con-

AHS varsity winter sports previews

By Rick Harrison

Over the next few weeks the *Townsmen* will preview Andover High varsity sports teams for the winter season. Last week, women's basketball and ice hockey were profiled. This week, men's basketball, and men's and women's track are featured.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Offense puts fannies in the seats — but defense wins championships.

Andover High men's varsity basketball coach Dave Fazio hopes to have the best of both worlds this winter.

He knows the crowds will turn out to see the Golden Warriors, as always, and he's hoping that strong defensive play will turn the locals into Merrimack Valley Conference Large School Division title challengers.

"A trademark of all my teams — of all Andover High basketball teams through the years — is tough defense," said Fazio, who begins his ninth season at AHS with a superb 124-54 overall won-lost record.

"If we can defend like we defended last year, I think we'll be right there with everyone else in our

division. Winning the league title is always a major goal."

Last season, on the way to a 16-4 season that included a 60-54 loss to Cambridge Rindge & Latin in the opening round of the Division I North Tournament, Andover's dogged defense held the opponent below 60 points 13 times.

Two starters return from that squad — senior forward/captain Jeff Danis (6'3") and senior guard/captain Brendan Long (6'0").

Long, the only junior selected to the All-Conference team last year, is a third-year varsity starter. He finished as the Golden Warriors' second leading scorer in 1996-'97 with 267 points (13.4 average).

Long suffered an injury during the summer but is back 100 percent healthy for the current campaign, which begins this Sunday afternoon with an opening-round game against Greater Lawrence Tech in the annual Greater Lawrence Holiday Festival at Merrimack College (2:30 p.m.).

Danis was the team's third high scorer last year with 208 points (10.4).

Key graduates were top scorer and rebounder Corry McLaughlin (now attending Fordham), starting forward Mark O'Sullivan (Rollins College),

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Ryan Games (Merrimack), Dave Hajjar (Georgia Tech), Pat Annese (Babson) and Joe Sciolla (prep school).

McLaughlin's 371 points and close to 200 rebounds will be tough to replace.

Other returning lettermen are senior guard Rob Oppenheim (5'9"), junior forward Brian Anderson (6'2") and junior guard Dave Kodinsky (6'0").

Long-range sharpshooter Kodinsky contributed 128 points last year including 25 three-pointers (second only to Long's 27).

Elevated from coach Bob Hatem's 12-6 JV team are junior guards Mark Rocca (6'1") and Dan Karahalios (5'11"), along with junior forwards Matt Brooks (6'3") and Chris Demko (6'5").

Good-looking prospects who complete the 12-man varsity roster are sophomore guard Paul Bellacqua (5'10"), sophomore forward Paul Wysocki (6'5") and freshman guard Tom McLaughlin (6'4").

McLaughlin, the younger but not-so-little brother of Corry, could step in and make an immediate impact.

"We have some proven scoring punch, with Long and Danis both averaging double figures last year, while Kodinsky and McLaughlin are both excellent shooters and ballhandlers," said Fazio.

"If we have a weakness it's our overall youth. It could take some time to get us where we need to go. Hopefully we'll pull a page out of the Duke (University) book. They only had a couple starters and are young this year, but they're the top team in the country."

"We have the flexibility to throw a wide variety of lineups on the floor," continued Fazio, who was a standout player at Central Catholic and Salem State College. "We have the option of going big — or small and quick. It's mostly a matter of where the chemistry lies."

"In our first few scrimmages small-and-quick was more successful, but that could change at any time."

The Golden Warriors played Charlestown High even, lost to Middlesex League power Belmont and beat Melrose in pre-season scrimmages. The final practice game was scheduled earlier this week at home against Bishop Brady of Concord, N.H.

Fazio is happy with the Christmas Festival draw. Last December Andover hammered Greater Lawrence, 70-41, in its tourney opener before dropping back-to-back decisions to Lawrence and Central Catholic.

Fazio, head coach at Dracut for two years prior to following Tom Ryser at Andover, has led the locals to four outright or shared MVC titles and eight straight tournament berths.

This year the program attracted 85 candidates including 40 freshmen. "We're very excited about the turnout, especially the ninth-grade group," said the coach.

Hatem returns as JV coach and Chris Downer succeeds Paul Willis as freshman coach.

Fazio thinks defending Large School champion Central Catholic (22-1) is still a cut above the rest, especially if Division I college prospect and Malden Catholic transfer Scot Hazelton (6'7") is granted an MIAA waiver to play for the Raiders.

"Chelmsford has an outstanding veteran player in Matt Scomis, and they'll surprise some people this season," said Fazio.

"Haverhill should also be tough."

In addition to the league schedule and the Christmas tourney, Andover will compete in a tournament at Harvard University Jan. 17-18 and wrap up the regular season by hosting non-league Lexington on Feb. 19.

The first home game is not until Jan. 15, the seventh game of the season, against Methuen.

Nine of the first 11 games and 12 of the 20 are away from home.

INDOOR TRACK

It shouldn't take the Andover High men's and women's varsity indoor track teams long to determine how good they are this winter.

The 1997-'98 Warriors open the season with dual meets against two of the toughest teams in the Merrimack Valley Conference — Tewksbury and Methuen.

Andover hosted Tewksbury yesterday (after presstime) at the AHS fieldhouse, and travels to Methuen next Monday afternoon (3:30 p.m.).

"Both are crossover meets and won't count on our (Large School) division record," said AHS head coach Art Iworsley, now in his 20th season with the program. "But, even though Tewksbury and Methuen are Small Schools, they are two of the best teams in the league."

The Andover women are coming off a strong 7-2 season, while the men finished at 4-4 last winter.

Both teams lost several talented athletes through graduation, but there is no shortage of numbers to replace those standouts — 155 candidates (85 women and 70 men) filling the fieldhouse daily.

Peter Comeau and Brenda Clark-Warne return as assistant coaches, while current volleyball and former women's basketball coach George Sullivan joins the staff to replace the departed Scott Petrie.

"Until you've seen the opposing teams it's hard to pinpoint strengths and weaknesses in track," said Iworsley. "You may think you're strong and deep in certain events, but find out that other teams are even stronger and deeper."

"We have excellent athletes, good balance and leadership on both

Pain? What pain?

By Rick Harrison

Sophomore sprinter Megan Munroe, who could be the team's top runner in the 300 dash, continues to amaze with her perseverance.

Munroe suffered several cracked vertebrae a while ago and is forced to wear a brace, covering the area from her chest to her hips, until the injury is fully healed.

She played the entire soccer season with the brace, and has been working out and competing in track with the brace.

"If she's in any pain she never lets on," said Iworsley. "She never complains and I've never seen her going at anything less than full speed."

teams," said Iworsley.

But it takes more.

"Much of the success in winter track revolves around the distance events," explained the coach.

If that formula holds true the Tewksbury and Chelmsford women, along with the Chelmsford and Central Catholic men, should be the teams to beat after solid cross country seasons.

The Chelmsford women and Central men are defending MVC Large School Division indoor track champions.

Andover women

Among the standout performers lost through graduation were high jumper/shot putter Stephanie Brown, high jumper Erin Harris, middle distance standout Abby Clarke, Nolia Hill, Catherine Ostrofsky, Leah Sciabarrasi, Cirila Stevens and Andrea Zizzo.

Topping the list of veterans are mile/two mile aces Katherine Blais and Kristen Munson, senior hurdler Barbara Contos and senior middle distance runner Nikki Winters.

Blais finished fifth in the State Division II (Class B) mile last winter (5:33.1), and she anchored the 4x800 relay team that placed fourth in Division II and ninth at the All-State Meet. She also competed in the State Pentathlon and placed 29th.

Munson was 10th in the Class B two-mile

(12:19.1), while Contos finished second in the Division II Meet (8.95), seventh in the All-State Meet (8.76) and ninth at the New England Championships (8.82) in the 55-meter hurdles.

Contos, Blais and Winters are team captains, along with senior spring track standout Courtney Barron who played basketball last winter.

Senior shot putter Michelle Mills is currently sidelined with an ankle sprain and not expected back until

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Andover High freshman student-athlete Danny Hughes, pictured here (center) inside the New England Patriots' practice bubble, won the New England Punt, Pass & Kick 14-year-old division championship during competition at the recent Patriots-Indianapolis Colts NFL game at Foxboro Stadium.

Players are tested on their passing, punting and placekicking skills for both distance and accuracy. Hughes, a 5-10, 150-pound lefthander who turns 15 this month, totaled a combined 359 feet (120 yards) on the way to the first place finish by more than 30 feet. In addition to taking the top spot overall, he was first in the passing with a 54-yard toss and the punting with a 40-yard kick. He was second in the placekicking.

The New England champ will find out later this month if he has qualified for the National PP&K finals. Each NFL team holds a similar competition at its home field, and the performances in each age group are compared. The top four age-group performers among the 30 champions advance to the NFL finals. Hughes, if he qualifies, will be the Patriots 14-year-old representative for the finals to be held at the AFC Championship Game in mid-January.

RELIGION NEWS

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Hanukkah party Saturday, Dec. 20, at 6 p.m. at the school, 514 Main St., Haverhill (housed in Temple Emanu-El). The program will include a Havdalah ceremony, the ritual separation between Shabbat and the rest of the week, group singing, class presentations and a Hebrew play about the Maccabees. Potato latkes, salad and dessert will be served. All children will receive dreidels and chocolate "gelt." A Hanukkah quilt and other prizes will be raffled. Admission is free.

For reservations and directions, call the school at (978) 372-4140.

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Kevgas appointed Hellenic delegate

Elaine Kevgas of Methuen, a parishoner of Sts. Constantine and Helen Church in Andover and a past president of the Diocese of Boston Greek Ladies Philoptochos Society and of the Philoptochos "Myrofori" of Andover, has been appointed a delegate to the first Convention of the World Council of Hellenes Abroad (SAE) by Archbishop Spyridon, Archbishop of the Greek Orthodox Church of America.

Kevgas will represent the

Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America at the convention in Thessaloniki, Greece.

SAE is an international institution that serves as a link of the Greek State with Hellenes abroad.

Kevgas is secretary of the National Board of the Greek Ladies Philoptochos Society, the philanthropic arm of the church.

In May she chaired the National Philoptochos Children's Medical Fund Luncheon which benefited

Boston Children's and Hasbro Children's hospitals. She is also past Grend President of the international Daughters of Penelope.



**Elaine
Kevgas**

Free Throws

The Knights of Columbus will hold the Andover Free Throw Competition Saturday, Jan. 10, at the K of C Hall, 10 Brook St., from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. T-shirts and trophies will be awarded in 10 age groups for boys and girls 10-14. Admission is free and all participants will receive a certificate of participation. Winners in each age group will have the opportunity to advance to regional and state competitions. Call Chuck Lane, 393-8561, or Will Armstrong, 475-2589.

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ACBL tips off its '97-'98 season

The Andover Church Basketball League opened its 1997-'98 season recently with a full slate of games in both the Senior Boys and Senior Girls Division.

In the boys division, Temple Emanuel looks like the team to beat after David Chomicz and Troy Lieberman combined for 18 points and all 10 players scored in a 47-14 victory over St. Augustine A.

In the girls division, favored South opened with an easy win as Jennifer Flemming led the way with eight points.

All games, with one exception, were played at the Andover High Field House.

ACBL SENIORS

BOYS DIVISION

Temple E. 47, St. Augustine A 14

TEMPLE: David Chomicz 5-0-10, Troy Lieberman 3-2-8, Greg Mongeau 3-0-6, Matt Bengston 2-1-5, Jon Konjoian 2-0-4, Jeff Sandman 2-0-4, Mike Weisner 2-0-4, Matt Monteiro 1-0-2, Josh Slovin 1-0-2, Chris Vetrano 1-0-2. Totals: 22-3-47.

ST. AUGUSTINE A: Ted Borland 2-2-6, Jake Fitzpatrick 2-1-5, Joe DeFabrizio 1-0-2, Joe Heitz 0-1-1. Totals: 5-4-14.

Temple	9	15	12	11	—	47
St. Aug. A	0	6	0	8	—	14

Records: Temple Emanuel 1-0, St. Augustine A 0-1.

St. Robert's B 28, St. Robert's C 15

ST. ROBERT'S B: Steve Gaines 4-0-8, Chris Barry 2-2-6, Jason Papadopoulos 3-0-6, John Gerety 2-0-4, Nick Sharis 2-0-4. Totals: 13-2-28.

ST. ROBERT'S C: Adrian Gilbert 2-0-4, Brian Murphy 2-0-4, Bobby Salerno 1-1-3, Jason White 1-0-2, Drew Wuehrmann 1-0-2. Totals: 7-1-15.

St. Rob. B	8	6	8	6	—	28
St. Rob. C	8	1	2	4	—	16

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Joe recently handed over his secret barbecue sauce recipe to his daughter and son-in-law, Ginny and Stephen Alfano, who run the Sutton Square Grille. They are thrilled to be part of the "barb's" revival.

"The barb brings back a lot of

happy memories for people and they light right up when they come in and get it. It's nice to see that," said Stephen.

The sandwich was added to the restaurant's menu about three months ago and several thousands of them have been made since then.

"I never dreamed that what we started in September would be this successful," said Joe, who helps out at the restaurant a few times a week. "I'm seeing so many people that I used to know. It's amazing."

Many folks enjoy the barb, which costs \$2.75; \$3.25 deep fried or \$3.25 with fries, in the cozy comfort of the Sutton Square Grille. Bright, clean and spacious, this restaurant offers fast food for those on the go

and sit-down meals for those who have more time on their hands.

The menu offers a lot of home-made foods, like pasta sauces, baked beans and pasta salads. And, the fish and chips special on Fridays is big hit. You get a half-pound of haddock with homemade coleslaw and french fries for \$6.95. And, there are nightly dinner specials.

Parking is plentiful and service is prompt at Sutton Square Grille which is located at 166 Sutton St., (at the foot of Main Street), North Andover. Hours are Monday through Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. and until 5 p.m. on Saturday. The restaurant is closed on Sundays. Telephone: 794-2500.

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SPORTSTALK

By Rick Harrison

This column, compiled from information supplied by the colleges or by friends and relatives of the student-athletes, youth standouts and coaches involved, is published periodically in the Townsman. Information may be mailed to the office at 33 Chestnut St., Andover, 01810; or fax it to 978-470-2819.

James Perry of Andover, the last in a long line of outstanding athletes from the Dascomb Road Perrys, has been named to the All-Ivy League first team in football after a spectacular sophomore season at quarterback for Brown University.

Perry, who graduated from Malden Catholic where he was a Catholic Conference All-Star in football and basketball, passed for an Ivy League record six touchdowns in the season finale against Columbia.

The 6'1", 180-pound standout captured league, regional and national honors that weekend, being named Ivy League Player-of-the-Week, ECAC/Budget Player-of-the-Week, New England Sports-writers/Coca-Cola Gold Helmet award winner, and the Football Gazette NCAA Division I-AA National Offensive Player-of-the-Week.

Perry's 402 yards passing versus Columbia is eighth best all-time in Ivy League history, and the second-best single-game effort in Brown annals.

His 414 yards total offense in the game ranks 10th best in Ivy history and second best for Brown.

Perry broke all of Jason McCullough's single-season Brown passing records set last season. Perry threw for 2,868 yards and had 206 completions, both fourth best in Ivy history.

He also set a single-season Brown record for total offense with 2,941 yards, fourth best in Ivy history.

He was one of three Brown players named first-team Ivy League on

offense, while seven other Bruins were selected second-team offense and defense.

James' older brothers **E.J.** (Colby), **Tim** (Harvard), **John** (University of New Hampshire) and **Matt** were all football/basketball standouts at Andover High.

E.J. went on to tear up the basketball courts at Colby, Tim quarterbacked at Harvard and John was a standout wide receiver at UNH.

Ned Yetten of Andover, a member of Indian Ridge Country Club, has been named the 1997 Massachusetts Golf Association (MGA) Junior Player of the Year.

Yetten won the MGA State Junior Tournament at Walpole Country Club, and was the only Massachusetts junior golfer to advance to match play in the U.S. Junior Amateur at Aronimink Golf Club this year.

Yetten became the first junior golfer to win all three age divisions (boys 13-and-under, Pre-Junior ages 14-15 and Junior ages 16-17) of the State Junior in three different years.

Yetten, whose father **Ned** was a professional hockey goaltender, will be the first recipient of the Christopher "Boo" Rich Memorial Trophy as the MGA Junior Player of the Year.

The Rich family donated the trophy in memory of their son, who was killed in an accident riding his bicycle home after winning the Myopia Hunt Club Junior Championship this past summer.

Mike Sullivan of Andover was a senior co-captain and integral member of this year's Amherst College men's soccer team, the most successful in the 77-year history of the program at that school.

The Jeffs earned their first-ever invitation to the NCAA Tournament Final Four, finishing the season with a 12-5-2 overall record. The 12 wins are a school single-season mark.

Sullivan, a soccer and baseball standout at Phillips Academy,

scored a goal in a key 3-2 Amherst victory over Plymouth State College in the regional finals.

Amherst was beaten 2-1 by defending national champion College of New Jersey in the NCAA semifinals.

Joe Hogarty of Andover, and Andover High graduate **Zachary Smith** of Lynnfield, were both members of the 1997 Bridgewater State College men's varsity soccer team this fall.

Hogarty, who played soccer and volleyball at AHS, is a sophomore midfielder and Smith, who also played soccer and volleyball, is a freshman goalkeeper.

Matt Gibson and **Kirk Stockwood** of Andover continue their fine early-season play for the Merrimack College men's varsity basketball team.

Gibson, a sophomore forward/center who poured in 31 points and pulled down 12 rebounds in a recent game, last weekend hit 7-of-11 field goals and finished with 16 points, four rebounds and two steals as the Warriors (4-3 record) dropped a 95-85 Northeast-10 Conference decision to Stonehill College.

Stockwood, a junior guard, played 20 minutes in the same game and scored two points.

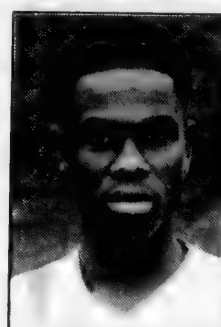
On the women's side, freshman forward/center **Susie Tully** of Andover helped her Stonehill Lady Chieftains (5-1 record) to a 67-45 win over Merrimack by contributing six points, four rebounds, one blocked shot and one steal in 18 minutes floor time.

Dana DiFiore of Andover, a junior forward on the 1997-'98 Bentley College ice hockey team, has two goals and five assists after nine games for the Falcons (6-3) to rank as the sixth highest scorer.

A pair of Phillips Academy graduates, **Miriti Murungi** of Baltimore and **Wikid Wilson** of Jamaica, have both earned their



Miriti Murungi



Wikid Wilson

third varsity letters in men's soccer at Wesleyan University.

Murungi, a junior forward/midfielder, started 13 of the Cardinals' 14 games and finished with 24 shots on net, one goal and two assists. He has two goals and five assists in 43 career games.

At Phillips he was a four-time letterwinner in both soccer and lacrosse, earning All-New England honors in the latter sport.

Murungi is majoring in history, is a member of the African-American Student Union, and in the spring plays midfield for the Wesleyan lacrosse team.

Wilson was also named to the New England Small College Athletic Conference All-Star first team for the second straight year, as well as the NESCAC Academic All-Star squad for the second consecutive year as his grade-point average more than met the required 3.20 minimum.

Wilson, a junior midfielder, played in all 14 Wesleyan games and finished with a team-high 47 shots on goal. He had one goal and four assists to boost his career 41-game totals to nine goals and eight assists.

While at Phillips, Wilson led the soccer team in scoring while earning team MVP honors. The chemistry major was also a sprinter on the Big Blue track team.

Wesleyan finished the 1997 fall

season with its 10th straight winning record, 8-5-1, which included six shut-outs.

Paul McNeice of Andover has been instrumental in the 5-3 start for the Babson College men's basketball team.

Babson, which captured the Lopata Classic in St. Louis earlier this month and recently outlasted Western New England College 103-97 in

its final pre-semester break game, has won four of its last five starts.

McNeice, a sophomore forward and former team captain and Merrimack Valley Conference All-Star at Andover High, has appeared in all eight games and started one after seeing limited time with the Beavers last year.

He is averaging 6.5 points and 3.9 rebounds per game while playing an average of 20 minutes.

The 6'5", 205-pounder is shooting 54 percent from the floor and established a personal collegiate high with 13 points in an 88-74 win over WPI in early December.

"Paul worked extremely hard over the summer to improve his game," said coach Steve Brennan, who owns an excellent 43-21 career record at Babson. "He provides a great effort at both ends of the floor."

McNeice received the Chip Brown Award for dedication and leadership as a freshman last year.

Babson is off until Jan. 10, when it hosts perennial New England Division III power Salem State College.

Send your college student's sports news to: SportsTalk, in the Townsman.

AHS varsity winter sports previews: men's and women's track

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after Christmas. She has thrown over 30 feet.

* The Lady Warriors top competitors in each event:

50 HURDLES: Capt. Barbara Contos, sr; Capt. Courtney Barron, sr; Jess Puccia, sr; Liz Wheeler, jr; Judy Huang, jr.

SPRINTS (50 and 300): Beth Har, sr; Chidimma Ibe, jr; Shannon Callahan-Higgins, jr; Jen Lambert, jr; Kate Sullivan, jr; Emily Wooten, jr; Megan Munroe, soph; Jenny Hsu, soph.

MIDDLE DISTANCE (600 and 1000): Capt. Nikki Winters, sr; Leslie Ring, jr; Caitlin Murray, soph; Allison Corey, soph; Jen Kane, fresh.

LONG DISTANCE (mile and two-mile): Capt. Katherine Blais, sr; Jess Youell, sr; Kristen Munson, jr; Pam Muller, jr; Janel Ricci, soph; Jen Cline,

fresh.

HIGH JUMP: Lisa Verreault, jr; Alexis Contos, soph; Liz Connors, soph; Stephanie Pierce, fresh.

SHOT PUT: Niki Shoemaker, sr; Michelle Mills, sr; Lori Volpe, sr; Suzy Dalby, sr; Ogechi Ibe, fresh.

Andover men

The Golden Warrior men are faced with a bigger rebuilding task after graduating their top two hurdlers and the best sprinters, miler, two-miler, high jumper and shot putter.

Sorely missed will be versatile hurdler/high jumper/relayer Peter Ellis, distance runners Todd Collins, Matt Herling and Donnie Pattullo along with Craig Hartwell, Eric Lambert, Matt Yost, Mike Orlandella, Tim Smith and Dave

Sullivan.

Last winter in the 55-meter hurdlers, Ellis finished fourth in the Division II Meet (8.05), sixth in the All-State Meet (7.93) and seventh in the New England (7.94). Ellis also anchored the 4x200 meter relay team, sixth in Division II and 11th at the All-State, and placed fifth in the State Indoor Pentathlon with a school-record 3,286 points.

Pattullo was third in the Division II 1000 run (2:41.9) and seventh in the All-State (2:39.6), while Herling placed seventh in the Division II mile (4:42).

"It could be a struggle for the guys," said Iworsley. "There are a lot of holes to plug. But hopefully we'll show improvement from meet to meet and end up winning our share."

Heading the slim list of veterans are distance standouts Greg Stamm and Chris Rillahan, sprinter Matt Aufiero and hurdler/high jumper Phil Ayoub.

Aufiero finished seventh in the 300 meter dash (37.7) at the Division II Meet last year, and also ran the lead leg on the 4x200 meter relay team.

But, as bad luck would have it, Aufiero suffered a severe ankle sprain late in the football season and is expected to be sidelined another month.

Top competitors in each event:

50 HURDLES: Phil Ayoub, sr; Dave Nassiff, sr; Long Dang, jr.

SPRINTS (50 and 300): Capt. Matt Aufiero, sr; Dave McDonald, sr; Brent Sinowski, sr; Roger Yeh, sr; Justin

LeCam, jr; Andy Pelletier, jr; Matt Spitzer, jr; Mike Zizzo, soph; Jeremy Spiegel, soph; Jeff Bowe; Craig Elworthy, fresh; Adam Gardner, fresh; Jason Mulcahy, fresh.

MIDDLE DISTANCE (600 and 1000): Hasan Erdem, sr; Mark Herling, jr; Evan Stuart, jr; Nathan Blais, soph; Terrance Fitzsimmons, soph; Chris Brown, soph.

LONG DISTANCE (mile and two-mile): Capt. Chris Rillahan, sr; Andy Turco, sr; Sean Higgins, jr; Greg Stamm, soph; Chris Sullivan, soph; John Percival, soph.

HIGH JUMP: Phil Ayoub, sr; Ryan Slavin, soph; Charles Murnane, soph; Dave Powers, soph; Jeremy Spiegel, soph.

SHOT PUT: Capt. Dan Barch, sr; Steve Scarpula, sr; Mike Burnett, soph; Mike Zizzo, soph.



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ACBL results

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St. Robert's A 43, St. Augustine B 20

ST. ROBERT'S A: Matt Withington 5-2-12, Mike Cronin 5-0-10, Anthony Silva 4-0-8, Dan Mayer 2-0-4, Greg Hartwell 1-1-3, Ryan Hutzler 1-0-2, Andrew Martin 1-0-2, Paul Burke 1-0-2. Totals: 20-3-43.

ST. AUGUSTINE B: Chris Hanlon 5-1-11, Owen Fitzpatrick 1-1-3, Ben Stillwell 1-0-2, George Thorlin 1-0-2, William Walter 1-0-2. Totals: 9-2-20.

St. Rob. A 13 7 15 8 — 43

St. Aug. B 3 11 4 2 — 20

Records: St. Robert's A 1-0, St. Augustine B 0-1.

Note: Cronin and Withington played well inside, while Silva directed the attack as SRA pulled away in the second half. Hanlon was strong off the boards for SAB in the first half.

Faith Lutheran 18, Ballardvale 11

FAITH LUTHERAN: Jared Cuneo 2-0-4, Andy Haak 2-0-4, Andy Pfeil 2-0-4, Andrew Ong 1-0-2, Gus Heydenreich 1-0-2, Matt Garrity 1-0-2. Totals: 9-0-18.

BALLARDALE UNITED: Aaron Chalek 2-1-5, Dan Froburg 0-2-2, Mike Kleinman 1-0-2, Dan Sibulesky 1-0-2. Totals: 4-3-11.

Faith Lutheran 2 4 6 6 — 18

Ballardvale 2 7 2 0 — 11

Records: Faith Lutheran 1-0, Ballardvale 0-1.

Girls Division

St. Robert 23, Unitarian 9

ST. ROBERT: Molly Klarman 3-0-6, Jessica Monarca 2-0-4, Ashley Faulk 2-0-4, Melanie Burnett 1-1-3, Jacquelyn Collins 1-0-2, Erica Durie 1-0-2, Courtney Hale 1-0-2. Totals: 11-1-23.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST: Valerie Saryan 1-0-2, Amy Palmieri 1-0-2, Missy Berger 1-0-2, Lisa Hagopian 1-0-2, Stephanie Kobler 0-1-1. Totals: 4-1-9.

St. Robert 15 4 2 2 — 23

Unitarian 0 5 0 4 — 9

Records: St. Robert's 1-0, Unitarian 0-1.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT NOTICE OF GUARDIANSHIP - MINOR - WITHOUT SURETIES ESSEX DIVISION Docket NO. 97P 2439-GM1

NOTICE

To all persons interested in **ROBERT A. LASPESA** of 42 River Street Andover Ma, 01810.

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that **ANNE ROSS** of North Andover in the County of Essex or some other suitable person be appointed his Guardian with custody. If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Salem on or before January 5, 1998.

Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Salem, the third day of December, 1997.

Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate
December 18, 1997

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT ESSEX DIVISION Docket No. 97P 2891-EP1 Estate of **DIANE P. TROMBLY** late of Andover in the County of Essex.

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be the last will of said deceased by **JOHN E. TROMBLY** of Andover in the County of Essex, praying that he be appointed executor thereof, without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney

should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on January 12, 1998.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Salem, the ninth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven.

Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate
December 18, 1997

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 56 Ballardvale Road
Andover, Massachusetts

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Ronald F. Hollander and Patricia K. Hollander to Arlington Trust Company dated December 11, 1985 and registered with Essex County North District Registry of the Land Court as Document No. 39115, as noted on Certificate of Title No. 8559, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on the 16th day of January, 1998, A.D. at 12:00 (NOON) P.M. at or upon the mortgaged premises, 56 Ballardvale Road, Andover, Massachusetts, as described below, being all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

To wit:

A certain parcel of land situated in Andover in the County of Essex and said Commonwealth, bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHERLY: by land now or formerly of Ruth M. Jenkins as shown on plan hereinafter mentioned, one hundred seventy-four and 85/100 (174.85) feet;

SOUTHWESTERLY by said Jenkins land by two lines, seventy-nine and 1/10 (79.1) feet and one hundred six (106) feet;

NORTHWESTERLY by said Jenkins land by three lines, twenty-eight and 9/10 (28.9) feet, sixty-one (61) feet, and one hundred nine (109) feet;

NORTHEASTERLY by Ballardvale Road on said plan by four lines, twelve (12) feet, seventy-six (76) feet, twenty-three (23) feet and twenty-nine and 76/100 (29.76) feet;

NORTHERLY by Ballardvale Road by two lines, thirty-three and 50/100 (33.50) feet and twenty-three and 5/10 (23.5) feet; and

EASTERLY by said Ballardvale Road by two lines, twenty-eight and 3/10 (28.3) feet, and seventy-nine and 5/10 (79.5) feet.

All of said boundaries are determined by the Court to be located as shown on Plan No. 4162K, drawn by Dana W. Clark, C.E., dated April 1939 as approved by the Court, filed in the Land Registration Office, a copy of a portion of which is filed with Certificate of Title No. 2424, Book 16, Page 497, and being designated as Lot 1D thereon.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all outstanding municipal or other public taxes, tax titles, assessments, liens or claims in the nature of liens, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and existing encumbrances of record, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS and NO/100 (\$5,000.00) must be paid by certified, bank, treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser as a deposit. The balance of the purchase price is to be paid in cash, or by certified check, bank cashier's check

or bank treasurer's check within 30 days thereafter at the Law Offices of Shapiro & Kreisman, Chiswick Park, 490 Boston Post Road, Sudbury, MA 01776 (978) 443-8800. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation acting in its capacity as Receiver/Conservator/Liquidating Agent for City Federal Savings Bank which pursuant to 12 U.S.C. §1441a(m) (1) succeeded the Resolution Trust Corporation in its capacity as Receiver/Conservator/Liquidating Agent for City Federal Savings Bank,
PRESENT HOLDER OF SAID MORTGAGE
December 18, 24 & 31, 1997

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage dated April 26, 1994 given by **MONTE I. RADACK** and **ALICE C. RADACK** to **EQUITY ONE**, filed with the Essex North County Registry of Deeds, Land Court Department, as Document No. 58730, which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 a.m., on the 9th day of January, 1998, at the subject premises, being 16 Wyncrest Circle, Andover, Massachusetts, being the premises described in said mortgage,

To Wit:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in said Andover and shown as Lot 44 on "Plan of Land in Andover, Mass., being a subdivision of Lot 1B as shown on Land Court Plan, No. 4162-E and Lot B as shown on Land Court Plan No. 4162-F", November 4, 1981, which plan is registered with Northern Registry District of Essex County as Plan No. 4162-4, bounded and described as follows:

NORTHWESTERLY by Wyncrest Circle in three courses, sixty-eight and 10/100 (68.10) feet, Twenty-nine and 18/100 (29.18) feet and Thirty-five and 42/100 (35.42) feet;

NORTHEASTERLY by Lot 45, Two hundred forty and 00/100 (240.00) feet;

SOUTHWESTERLY by Lot 43, Two hundred ten and 00/100 (210.00) feet.

For Mortgagors title, see Certificate of Title No. 9652, filed with the Land Registration Office, Essex North District Registry of Deeds at Book 67, Page 213.

The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the sale and to further postpone at any adjourned sale date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the adjourned sale date.

Said premises will be sold subject to and with the benefit of all restrictions, easements, improvements, mortgages, liens, rights of tenants and parties in possession, municipal liens, real estate taxes and other public taxes, assessments or liens, having priority over the mortgage described herein, if any.

In the event that the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale shall default in purchasing the within described property according to the terms of this Notice and Sale and/or the terms of the Memorandum of Sale executed at the time of the foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right to sell the property by Foreclosure Deed to the second highest bidder provided that the second highest bidder shall deposit with Mortgagee's attorneys, Favaloro & Schreiber, the amount of the required deposit as set forth herein within three (3) business days after written notice of default of the previous highest bidder and title shall be conveyed to said second highest bidder within twenty (20) days of said written notice.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of **FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000.00)** to be paid in cash or certified check at the time and place of sale and the balance to be paid in cash or certified check at the time of the delivery of the deed, in or within forty-five (45) days of the date of sale, and shall be deposited in an escrow account with the firm of Favaloro & Schreiber, 348 Park Street, Suite 108 East, North Reading, Massachusetts. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at sale.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT Essex Division

Docket No. 96P 1926-G11 NOTICE OF FIDUCIARY'S ACCOUNT

To all persons interested in the estate of JANE ANN HEBERT of 8 Mayflower Drive Andover, Ma Essex County, 01810, a mentally ill person.

You are hereby notified pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 72 that the first and final account of MARCEL ROBERT HEBERT as temporary Guardian (the fiduciary) of the property of said JANE ANN HEBERT has been presented to said Court for allowance.

If you desire to preserve your right to file an objection to said account(s), you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said

Court at Salem on or before the twelfth of January 1998, the return day of this citation. You may upon written request by registered or certified mail to the fiduciary, or to the attorney for the fiduciary, obtain without cost a copy of said account(s). If you desire to object to any item of said account(s), you must in addition to filing a written appearance as aforesaid, file within thirty days after said return day or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order a written statement of each such item together with the grounds for each objection thereto, a copy to be served upon the fiduciary pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 5.

Witness, EDWARD J. ROCKETT, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Salem this fifth day of December, 1997.

Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate
December 18, 1997

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Myles Borland and Linda E. Borland to Medallion Mortgage Company, Dated January 5, 1994 and recorded with the Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 3954, Page 22, of which mortgage G.E. Capital Mortgage Services, Inc. is the present holder by assignment, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 p.m. on January 7, 1998, on the mortgaged premises located at 41 Jenkins Road, Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:

A certain parcel of land located in the Town of Andover, County of Essex, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, located on the southerly side of Salem Street and at the junction of said street and Jenkins Road, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the Northwesterly corner thereof at a corner of the wall in the Southerly side of Salem Street; thence running southeasterly in several courses by the said Southerly side of Salem Street 820.29' to a point marking the intersection of said Southerly line of Salem Street with the westerly line of said Jenkins Road; thence turning and running Southwesterly by the said Westerly line of Jenkins Road 321.33' to a drill hole in the wall at land now or formerly of Irene A. Cetlin; thence turning and running westerly in two courses by said land of Irene A. Cetlin 229.66' to an iron pipe in the center line of a ditch; thence turning and running Northwesterly by the said ditch and still by land of Irene A. Cetlin 64.65' to an iron pipe at the center line of the ditch aforesaid; thence turning and running Northwesterly by the centerline of the ditch and said land of Irene A. Cetlin 194.9' to an iron pipe; thence turning and running Southwesterly by said land of Irene A. Cetlin 104.66' to a point in the Easterly side of a way 37' in width; thence turning and running Southeasterly by the Easterly side of said way 67' to a point in a wall; Thence turning and running Southwesterly by several courses and by the Southeasterly side of a way 30' in width . 505' to a point; thence turning and running Northerly across the Southwesterly end of said way 38' to a wall at land now or formerly of the Estate of Alvah Wright; thence running Northeasterly by the stone wall and by land now or formerly of the Estate of Alvah Wright in six courses, a distance of 454.33' to a corner

in the wall; thence turning and running Northwesterly by the stone wall in part by the westerly side of a way 37' in width, still by the Estate now or formerly of Alvah Wright a distance of 476.61' to a corner of the wall near the Southerly side of Salem Street; thence turning and running Northeasterly by the wall 24.61' to a corner of the wall at the Southerly side of Salem Street and Point of Beginning.

There is excluded from the above-described premises land as described in deed of Cetlin to Smolkin recorded in Essex North District Registry of Deeds in Book 1336 at Page 507 and land as recorded in deed of

Cetlin to Long et al recorded in said Registry of Deeds in Book 1318 at page 723. There is no representation made herein as to the amount of acreage being conveyed.

For mortgagors' title see deed recorded with Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 3954, Page 20.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02158 or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02161-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

G.E. CAPITAL MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC.
Present holder of said mortgage

By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
Byeongyong J. Seo, Esquire
150 California Street
Newton, MA 02158
(617) 558-0500

December 4, 11 & 18, 1997

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Unit 101
The Andover Condominium
22 Railroad Street
Andover

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Stavroula Pappas to Crossland Mortgage Corp. dated August 23, 1996 and recorded with Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds, at Book 4580, Page 297 of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said mortgage, and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on the mortgaged premises hereinafter described namely

Unit 101
The Andover Condominium
22 Railroad Street
Andover

Essex County, Massachusetts, on January 5, 1998 at 11:00 AM all and singular premises described in said mortgage as follows:

Unit 101 in The Andover Condominium created by Master Deed dated May 25, 1988 and recorded on May 26, 1988 with the Essex North Registry of Deeds in Book 2735, Page 173, as such may be amended by instruments of record, in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L Chapter 183A.

The Unit is laid out as shown on a plan recorded with Unit Deed at Book 2966, Page 127, which is a copy of a portion of the plans filed with the said Master Deed and to which is affixed a verified statement in the form provided for in M.G.L. Chapter 183A, Section 9.

The Unit is conveyed together with a .01409 percentage interest in the common areas and facilities of the Condominium as described in said Master Deed, as may be amended from time to time.

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Attorneys for
Federal National Mortgage Association
TWO CENTER PLAZA, SUITE 500, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02108, within thirty days of the sale. Other terms, if any to be announced at the sale.

Federal National Mortgage Association
Present holder of said mortgage
By its Attorneys
ADELSON, GOLDEN & LORIA, P.C.
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December 4, 11 & 18, 1997

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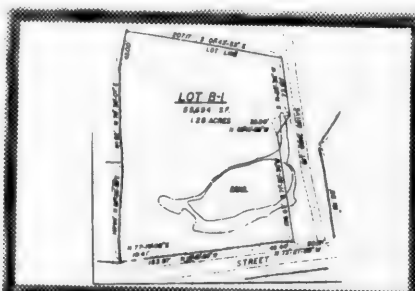
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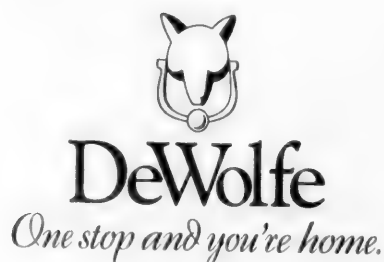
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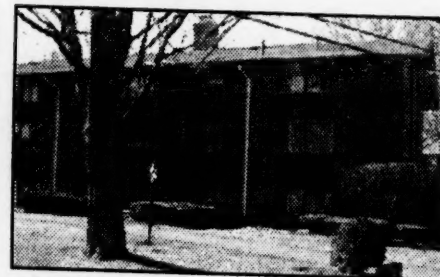


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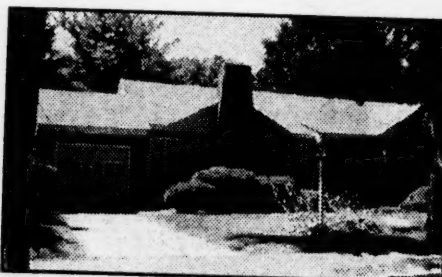
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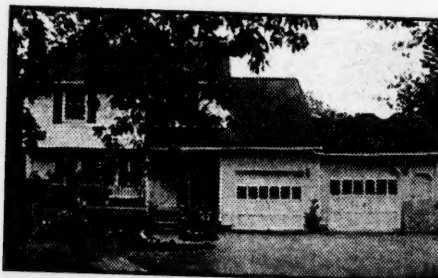
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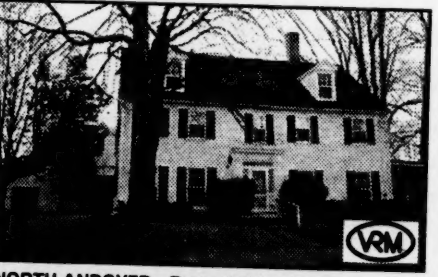
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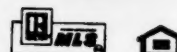
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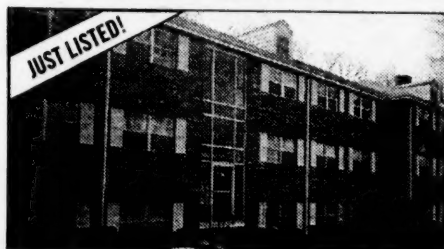
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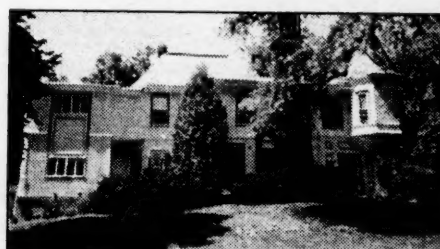
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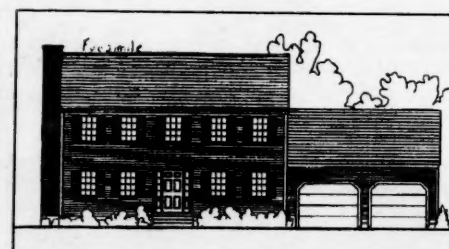
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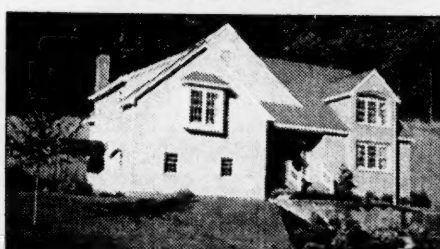
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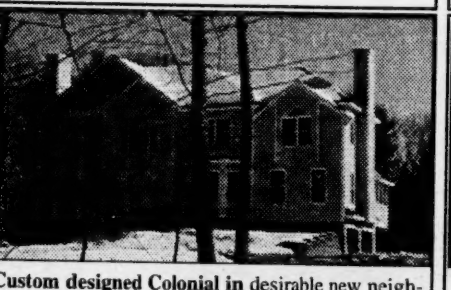
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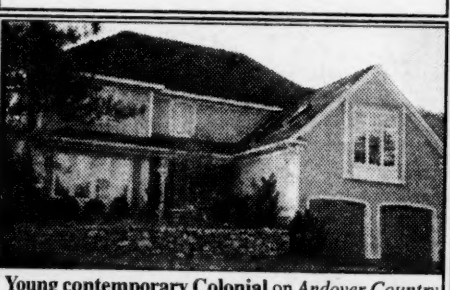
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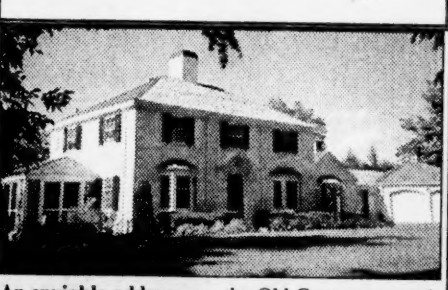
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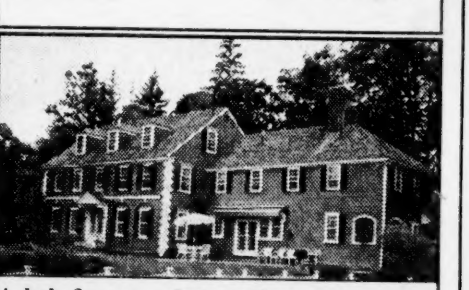
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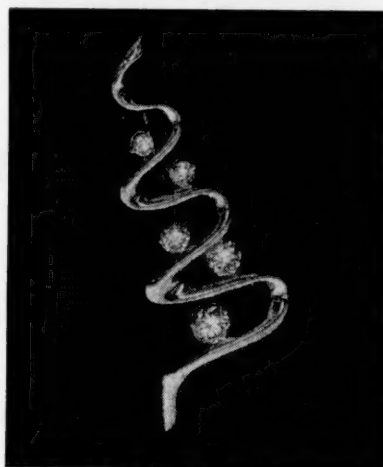


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